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## DR. ANTHONY CORDES AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS

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*The Charleston Museum*

Dr. Anthony Cordes, the founder of the Cordes family in Carolina, came to the province about 1685 and settled in what is now St. John's Parish, Berkeley County.<sup>1</sup> In the next hundred years his descendants spread out along the Cooper River into St. Stephen's Parish and over into St. James Santee. Dr. Cordes and his wife, Esther Magdalen Balluet, were naturalized in England on the 10th of July, 1696.<sup>2</sup> In the Ravenel *Liste*, which was probably prepared in 1695-6, his parents' names are given as Paul Cordes and Marie Dupeuch and his wife's name as Ester Balluet.<sup>3</sup> He was born in Mazamet, in Languedoc, France.<sup>4</sup>

The family has used the arms assigned by Rietstap to Cordes, Marquis de Cordoue, in Provence: *D'azur a un ours ramp. d'arg. supp. de des pattes de devant un monde d'or, cintre et croise du meme. S.: une aigle de gu. D.: Ferme en L'Adversite.* The tombstone of Francis Cordes (1772-1855) in Biggin churchyard shows these arms with the Coker arms quartered upon them.<sup>5</sup>

### 1

Paul Cordes and his wife, Marie Dupeuch, were of Mazamet. They apparently never emigrated. The following are the only two children whose names are known:

2 I Antoine (Anthony) Cordes.

3 II James Cordes.

### 2

Dr. Anthony Cordes (1) born in Mazamet, Languedoc, France, came to Carolina about 1685 and settled in what is now St. John's Parish, Berkeley.

<sup>1</sup> Edward McCrady, *The History of South Carolina under the Royal Government, 1719-1776* (New York, 1899), p. 413.

<sup>2</sup> *Publications of the Huguenot Society of London* (London, 1911), XVIII (1911), p. 242. Hereinafter cited *PHSL*.

<sup>3</sup> *Transactions of the Huguenot Society of South Carolina* (Charleston, 1894-), No. 5 (1897), p. 31. Hereinafter cited *THSSC*.

<sup>4</sup> Charles W. Baird, *History of the Huguenot Emigration to America* (New York, 1885), II. 134.

<sup>5</sup> *THSSC*, No. 12 (1905), p. 53; tombstone in Biggin Churchyard; J. B. Rietstap, *Armorial Général précédé d'un dictionnaire des termes du blason* (Gouda, n.d.), I. 462

In May 1696 he was a witness to the will of James DuGue, Sr.,<sup>6</sup> and on May 12, 1699, was one of the bondsmen to administer on the estate of John Heraut. To this later deed he, curiously enough, simply signed his name "Cordes."<sup>7</sup> On September 12, 1706, he had a warrant for land joining to Watboo Barony line and on December 12, 1709, another warrant for 200 acres in Berkeley County at "three Mile head."<sup>8</sup> In his will he left to his eldest son, Isaac Cordes, his plantation containing 200 acres and 600 acres of land adjoining and, in addition, left other real estate to be divided among his other children. It has been suggested that his wife, Esther Madeleine Balluet, may have been a sister of Judith Baluet, the wife of Benjamin Marion, although there is no proof of this. As his wife is not mentioned in his will, she must have died before 1712. Apparently all of their children were born in Carolina. The three elder are mentioned in the Ravenel *Liste* as having been born here. Children:

- 4 I Isaac Cordes, born *cir.* 1692.
- 5 II Magdalen Cordes, born *cir.* 1693.
- 6 III Esther Cordes, born *cir.* 1695.
- 7 IV Thomas Cordes, born *cir.* 1697.
- 8 V James Paul Cordes, born *cir.* 1699.
- 9 VI Francis Cordes, born *cir.* 1701.
- 10 VII Anne Cordes, born *cir.* 1703.

Dr. Cordes died between January 20, 1711/12 when his will was made and February 22, 1711/12 when it was proved.<sup>9</sup>

## 3

James Cordes (1) born in Languedoc, was naturalized in London in 1700 having "served his Majesty several years in the army."<sup>10</sup> He was in Carolina in 1712 when his brother Anthony appointed him one of the executors of his will. His wife Jean, or Jane, Cordes was evidently a widow when he married her. In her will dated June 24, 1715, she mentions her granddaughters, Judith, Ann, and Jane Gerard; Ann and Dorothy Laws; her son-in-law, John Laws; and her cousin, Daniel Johndine, living in New York.<sup>11</sup> She made her husband one of her executors. He apparently had no children. He is said to have died in 1758.<sup>12</sup>

<sup>6</sup> Charleston County Probate Court (hereinafter cited CPC), Will Book 1692-1693, pp. 247, 286.

<sup>7</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 277.

<sup>8</sup> A. S. Salley, Jr. (ed.), *Warrants for Land, 1692-1711* (Columbia, 1915), pp. 205, 223.

<sup>9</sup> CPC, Miscellaneous Records 1711-1718, p. 26.

<sup>10</sup> PHSL, XVIII (1911), pp. 307, 309.

<sup>11</sup> CPC, Misc. Records 1711-1718, p. 69.

<sup>12</sup> Malcolm Macbeth, *An Abstract of a Genealogical Collection* (St. Louis, 1907), I. 6.

## 4

Isaac Cordes (2, 1) was born in Carolina, probably about 1692. He is said to have married in Barbados (1st) Joan Travours, a widow with two daughters, Judith and Elizabeth Travours.<sup>13</sup> Isaac Cordes in his will leaves money to each of his stepdaughters. Elizabeth was then living in Barbados. Judith died in 1756 and in her will speaks of herself as of St. John's Parish.<sup>14</sup> She leaves her property to the children of Anne Cordes Keith. Isaac Cordes and his first wife had one child:

I Esther Cordes married (1st) April 21, 1747, Rev. Daniel Dwight, Rector of the Parish of St. John's, Berkeley.<sup>15</sup> He died Mar. 28, 1748 and is buried at Strawberry Chapel.<sup>16</sup> She married (2nd) Dec. 1, 1751, James Keith.<sup>17</sup> She died Feb. 1781.<sup>18</sup>

He married (2nd) Ellinor Coker, also of Barbados.<sup>19</sup> Her name has also been given as Cocas and Ellicott but it is thought that Coker is probably correct. In 1743 he was a member of the Grand Jury.<sup>20</sup> Children:

11 II John Cordes, born in 1718.<sup>21</sup>

III Charles Cordes. In 1736 he was a witness to a mortgage given by Frederick Meyer to Ribton Hutchinson and Frederick Greville.<sup>22</sup> He died unmarried before his father's will was made in 1744.

12 IV Mary Cordes.

13 V Ann Cordes.

He died between October 21, 1744, when his will was made, and April 19, 1745, when it was proved.<sup>23</sup> His inventory was taken in 1745.<sup>24</sup>

## 5

Magdalen Cordes (2, 1) was born in Carolina, probably about 1693. She married (1st) a Mr. Harris by whom she had no children.<sup>25</sup> She married (2nd) about 1716, Peter Simons, son of Benjamin Simons and his

<sup>13</sup> THSSC, No. 13 (1906), p. 88.

<sup>14</sup> CPC, Will Book 1752-1756, p. 530.

<sup>15</sup> Robert F. Clute (ed.), *The Annals and Parish Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis Parish in South Carolina from 1680-1884* (Charleston, 1884), p. 29.

<sup>16</sup> This Magazine, XXI (1920), p. 168.

<sup>17</sup> Ibid., XX (1919), p. 71.

<sup>18</sup> Ibid., XVII (1916), p. 157.

<sup>19</sup> Macbeth, *Abstract of a Genealogical Collection*, p. 5.

<sup>20</sup> *South Carolina Gazette*, March 28, 1743.

<sup>21</sup> This Magazine, XLI (1940), p. 39.

<sup>22</sup> Charleston County, Office of the Register of Mesne Conveyance (hereinafter cited CRMC), Book R (abstracts), p. 486.

<sup>23</sup> CPC, Will Book 1740-1747, p. 240.

<sup>24</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 67-A, p. 316.

<sup>25</sup> THSSC, No. 13 (1906), p. 88.

wife, Mary Esther DuPre. He was born July 9, 1693.<sup>26</sup> He was captain of the militia in St. Thomas' Parish and was shot by the Dutartres in 1724 when he attempted to arrest Peter Rombert.<sup>27</sup> The inventory of his estate, which was valued at about £4,500, was taken in January 1724.<sup>28</sup> Children:

- I Peter Simons, born Nov. 24, 1717;<sup>29</sup> died unmarried in 1748.<sup>30</sup>
- 14 II Esther Simons, born Sept. 9, 1719.<sup>31</sup>
- III Anthony Simons, born Dec. 25, 1721;<sup>32</sup> died Sept. 19, 1722.<sup>33</sup>

## 6

Esther Cordes (2, 1) was born in Carolina about 1695. She married between 1711 and 1716, Gabriel Marion, son of Benjamin Marion, the emigrant, and his wife Judith Baluet.<sup>34</sup> He was born 1690-95 and died between 1747 and 1751. Children:

- 15 I Esther Marion.
- 16 II Isaac Marion.
- 17 III Gabriel Marion.
- 18 IV Benjamin Marion.
- 19 V Job Marion.
- 20 VI Francis Marion.

She died between October 7, 1757, when her will was made and January 28, 1758 when it was proved.<sup>35</sup>

## 7

Thomas Cordes (2, 1) was born about 1697. He married Henrietta Catherine Gendron, daughter of Philip and Madeleine Chardon (Pasquereau) Gendron. She was born April 12, 1697,<sup>36</sup> and died September 1764.<sup>37</sup> Her will is dated May 15, 1760, and was proved December 21, 1764.<sup>38</sup> Her inventory, dated January 10, 1765, shows that she left an estate valued at £ 13,178:10:4.<sup>39</sup> Thomas Cordes was a vestryman of

<sup>26</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 82.

<sup>27</sup> George Howe, *History of the Presbyterian Church in South Carolina*, 2 vols. (Columbia, 1870-1883), I, 194.

<sup>28</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 60, p. 147.

<sup>29</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 82.

<sup>30</sup> This Magazine, XVIII (1917), p. 17.

<sup>31</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 82.

<sup>32</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 82.

<sup>33</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 108.

<sup>34</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 41.

<sup>35</sup> CPC, Will Book 1761-1771, p. 536.

<sup>36</sup> THSSC, No. 16 (1909), p. 23.

<sup>37</sup> *South Carolina Gazette*, October 1-8, 1764.

<sup>38</sup> CPC, Will Book 1760-1767, p. 442.

<sup>39</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 88-A, p. 418.

the Parish Church of St. John's, Berkeley (Biggin) in 1732;<sup>40</sup> a trustee of the Free School at Childsbury from 1733<sup>41</sup> until his death;<sup>42</sup> a Justice of the Peace for Berkeley County in 1734<sup>43</sup> and in 1737.<sup>44</sup> He was a member of the Assembly for St. John's, Colleton, in 1748.<sup>45</sup> As early as 1732 he is spoken of as Captain;<sup>46</sup> in 1743 as Major;<sup>47</sup> and in 1746 he was appointed Colonel of the Regiment of Foot in Berkeley County.<sup>48</sup> Children:

- I Catharine Cordes, born Nov. 10, 1724; married her first cousin, John Cordes (11).
- 21 II Thomas Cordes, born about 1728.
- 22 III Samuel Cordes.
- 23 IV Elizabeth Cordes.
- V James Cordes, Jr. In 1765<sup>49</sup> and 1766<sup>50</sup> he was a member of the Commons House of Assembly; in 1765 he was one of the commissioners of St. John's Parish;<sup>51</sup> a delegate to the Second Provincial Congress, 1775-76 from St. John's, Berkeley;<sup>52</sup> one of the receivers of flour and rice for the Commissioners of Congress, at Watboo, in 1775.<sup>53</sup> He died in March, 1789, unmarried, leaving a will without date which was proved Mar. 20, 1789.<sup>54</sup>

Thomas Cordes died between April 25, 1748, when his will was made and April 21, 1749, when it was proved.<sup>55</sup> His inventory was taken in 1749, and he left an estate valued at £ 35,596:11:8.<sup>56</sup>

## 8

James Paul Cordes (2, 1) was born about 1699. He married January 1, 1728/29, Elizabeth Simons, daughter of Benjamin Simons and his wife,

<sup>40</sup> Frederick Dalcho, *An Historical Account of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South Carolina* (Charleston, 1820), p. 268.

<sup>41</sup> David Ramsay, *The History of South Carolina from Its First Settlement in 1670 to the Year 1808*, 2 vols. (Charleston, 1809), II. 257.

<sup>42</sup> *South Carolina Gazette*, April 7-10, 1749.

<sup>43</sup> *Ibid.*, June 1-8, 1734.

<sup>44</sup> *Ibid.*, March 26-April 2, 1737.

<sup>45</sup> *Ibid.*, June 27-June 9, 1748.

<sup>46</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 3, Part 2, p. 43.

<sup>47</sup> *South Carolina Gazette*, June 13, 1743.

<sup>48</sup> *This Magazine*, II (1901), p. 241.

<sup>49</sup> *South Carolina Gazette and Country Journal*, December 17, 1765.

<sup>50</sup> *South Carolina Gazette*, June 2-9, 1766.

<sup>51</sup> *Ibid.*, June 29-July 6, 1765.

<sup>52</sup> *This Magazine*, VII (1906), p. 104.

<sup>53</sup> *Ibid.*, IX (1908), p. 186.

<sup>54</sup> CPC, Will Book B 1786-1793, p. 279.

<sup>55</sup> CPC, Will Book 1747-1752, p. 119.

<sup>56</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 77-A, p. 200.

Mary Esther DuPre.<sup>57</sup> She was born April 26, 1704, and evidently died before her husband's death, as she is not mentioned in his will.<sup>58</sup> They had no children. In 1733 he registered 500 acres of land in St. John's, Berkeley, which he had purchased in 1730.<sup>59</sup> At this time he is spoken of as a planter. He was probably the James Cordes appointed in 1755 as one of the commissioners to rebuild the parish church of St. John's,<sup>60</sup> as he left £ 200 currency for that purpose in his will. He advertised in 1770 for an overseer who understood the making of "indico."<sup>61</sup> He died in November, 1775.<sup>62</sup> His will is dated December 2, 1774,<sup>63</sup> and his inventory, which was taken in 1776, shows that his estate was valued at £ 25,027.<sup>64</sup>

## 9

Francis Cordes (2, 1) born about 1701, was a planter on Wassamassaw.<sup>65</sup> He married (1st) Marianne Porcher, daughr of [Dr. Isaac Porcher, the emigrant.<sup>66</sup> He married (2nd) Susannah Benoist, by whom he had a child which died shortly after its birth.<sup>67</sup> He left a will which has not been found. He and his wife must have died about the same time, as their estates were appraised on the same day, March 8, 1743. His estate was valued at £ 7,752:6:11.<sup>68</sup>

## 10

Anne Cordes (2, 1) was born about 1703. She married, about 1724, Francis Simons, son of Benjamin Simons and his wife, Mary Esther DuPre. He was born December 7, 1697,<sup>69</sup> and died June 8, 1731.<sup>70</sup> His will is dated June 7, 1731, and was recorded July 29, 1731.<sup>71</sup> Children:

<sup>57</sup> A. S. Salley, Jr., *Register of St. Philip's Parish, Charles Town, South Carolina* (Charleston, 1904), p. 160.

<sup>58</sup> This Magazine, XXXVII (1936), p. 143.

<sup>59</sup> Memorial Books (ms. in office of South Carolina Historical Commission, Columbia), No. 3, p. 160.

<sup>60</sup> Dalcho, *Episcopal Church*, p. 270.

<sup>61</sup> *South Carolina Gazette and Country Journal*, February 20, 1770.

<sup>62</sup> This Magazine, X (1909), p. 223.

<sup>63</sup> CPC, Will Book 1776-1784, p. 183.

<sup>64</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 100, p. 33.

<sup>65</sup> *South Carolina Gazette*, May 9, 1743.

<sup>66</sup> THSSC, No. 13 (1906), pp. 88-92.

<sup>67</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 75-B, p. 498.

<sup>68</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 71, pp. 148-153.

<sup>69</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 82.

<sup>70</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 108.

<sup>71</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 2, part 5, p. 115.

- 24 I Ann Simons, born Sept. 5, 1725.<sup>72</sup>  
 25 II Francis Simons, born Jan. 16, 1726/7.<sup>73</sup>  
 26 III Hannah Simons, born Dec. 26, 1728.<sup>74</sup>  
 27 IV Esther Simons, born Dec. 30, 1730.<sup>75</sup>

She married (2nd) about 1733, Henry Videau. He predeceased his wife.  
 Children:

- V Elizabeth Videau, born Jan. 6, 1733/34.<sup>76</sup> She is not mentioned in her mother's will.  
 VI Mary Esther Videau, born Sept. 17, 1737.<sup>77</sup> She married General Francis Marion (20).  
 VII Peter Videau, born Oct. 27, 1743.<sup>78</sup> He was one of the executors of his brother Henry's will.  
 VIII Henry Joseph Videau, born Dec. 4, 1744.<sup>79</sup> He was buried April 1773 at Pompion Hill.<sup>80</sup> His will is dated Mar. 5, 1773, and was proved June 11, 1773.<sup>81</sup>

She was buried October 9, 1772.<sup>82</sup> Her will was made on April 4, 1772, and was proved November 27, 1772.<sup>83</sup>

## 11

John Cordes (4, 2, 1) was born in 1718. He married Catharine Cordes, his first cousin, the daughter of Thomas and Henrietta Catharine Gendron Cordes. She was born November 10, 1724,<sup>84</sup> and died August 5, 1805,<sup>85</sup> and is buried in Biggin Churchyard. Her will was dated August 22, 1802, and was proved November 19, 1805.<sup>86</sup> He was a member of the South Carolina Society, being number 78 on its list and served as clerk from March 31, 1741, to April 20, 1742.<sup>87</sup> He was a member of Union Kil-

<sup>72</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 83.

<sup>73</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 83.

<sup>74</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 83.

<sup>75</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 83.

<sup>76</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 87.

<sup>77</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 87.

<sup>78</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 87.

<sup>79</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 87.

<sup>80</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 110.

<sup>81</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 15, p. 514.

<sup>82</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 110.

<sup>83</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 15, p. 344.

<sup>84</sup> This *Magazine*, XLI (1940), p. 39.

<sup>85</sup> Tombstone in Biggin Churchyard.

<sup>86</sup> CPC, Will Book D 1800-1807, p. 609.

<sup>87</sup> J. H. Easterby, *The Rules of the South Carolina Society* (Charleston, 1937), pp. 99, 112.

winning Lodge No. 4, Ancient Free Masons, joining in 1756.<sup>88</sup> He was a member of the Commons House of Assembly for St. John's, Berkeley, n 1748, 1749, and 1752.<sup>89</sup> Children:

- 28 I Ellinor Cordes, born May 23, 1744.<sup>90</sup>  
 29 II Catharine Cordes, born July 27, 1745.<sup>91</sup>  
 30 III John Cordes, born 1749.<sup>92</sup>

IV Charles Cordes, died unmarried, probably before 1762 when his uncle, Thomas Cordes, made his will as he is not mentioned in it.<sup>93</sup>

- 31 V Thomas Cordes, born Mar. 23, 1753.<sup>94</sup>  
 32 VI Mary Cordes.

He died July 13, 1756.<sup>95</sup> His will was made June 20, 1756, and was proved December 3, 1756.<sup>96</sup> His estate was valued at over £ 16,000.<sup>97</sup>

### 12

Mary Cordes (4, 2, 1) married May 14, 1741,<sup>98</sup> as his second wife, Daniel Huger, son of Daniel Huger and Margaret Perdriau, his wife. He was born March 16, 1688, and died 1754.<sup>99</sup> His will is dated November 16, 1754.<sup>100</sup> Children:

- 33 I Daniel Huger, born Feb. 20, 1741/2.  
 34 II Isaac Huger, born Mar. 19, 1742/3.  
 35 III John Huger, born June 5, 1744.  
 36 IV Benjamin Huger, born Dec. 30, 1746.

She died December 30, 1746.

### 13

Anne Cordes, (4, 2, 1) married between 1744<sup>101</sup> and 1752,<sup>102</sup> Dr. William Keith. He died August, 1777.<sup>103</sup> Children:<sup>104</sup>

<sup>88</sup> Roster of Union Kilwinning Lodge.

<sup>89</sup> *South Carolina Gazette*, June 27-July 9, 1748; April 7-10, 1749; March 16, 1752.

<sup>90</sup> Macbeth, *Abstract of a Genealogical Collection*, p. 8.

<sup>91</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 8.

<sup>92</sup> Tombstone in Biggin Churchyard.

<sup>93</sup> CPC, Will Book 1706-1767, p. 318.

<sup>94</sup> Cordes Bible.

<sup>95</sup> This *Magazine*, XLI (1940), p. 39.

<sup>96</sup> CPC, Will Book 1752-1756, p. 542.

<sup>97</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 84, p. 33.

<sup>98</sup> THSSC, No. 4 (1897), p. 11.

<sup>99</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 102.

<sup>100</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 81, p. 307.

<sup>101</sup> In her father's will dated October, 1744, she is spoken of as Ann Cordes.

<sup>102</sup> CRMC, Book MM (abstracts), p. 142.

<sup>103</sup> This *Magazine*, XVII (1916), p. 125.

<sup>104</sup> The will of James Paul Cordes mentions William, Alexander, John, Ann, Mary, and Charlotte. THSSC, No. 13 (1906), pp. 88-92, names Ellinor, William, and Ann.

- I Ellinor Keith, evidently died young.  
 37 II Dr. William Keith, Jr.  
 38 III Ann Keith.  
 39 IV Alexander Keith.  
 40 V John Keith.  
 41 VI Mary Keith.  
 42 VII Charlotte Keith

She died after 1777 as she is mentioned in her husband's will.

14

Esther Simons (5, 2, 1) was born Sept. 9, 1719. She married (1st) about 1737 Peter Bonneau, planter, of Berkeley County. He was buried August 29, 1748,<sup>105</sup> at Pompon Hill, leaving a will dated June 26, 1748.<sup>106</sup> Children<sup>107</sup>

- 43 I Magdalen Bonneau, born Mar. 29, 1738.  
44 II Hester Bonneau, born May 12, 1740.  
45 III Peter Bonneau, born Aug. 12, 1744, married about 1767,<sup>108</sup>  
Mary Ford, the daughter of George Ford, and died about 1774,  
leaving an estate valued at over £19,000.<sup>109</sup>  
46 IV Anthony Bonneau was alive in 1754 when his father's estate  
was divided.<sup>110</sup>

She married (2nd) November 22, 1752,<sup>111</sup> Benjamin Marion (18), son of Gabriel Marion and his wife Esther Cordes. He died Sept. 20, 1778. Children<sup>112</sup>

- 47 V Hester Marion, bapt. Oct. 14, 1753.  
     VI Anne Marion, bapt. Sept. 21, 1755; married Dec. 31, 1778,  
         Thomas Roche.<sup>113</sup> No children.  
 48 VII Martha Marion, bapt. Apr. 2, 1758.  
 49 VIII Elizabeth Marion and  
     IX Catharine Marion, twins, born Feb. 28, 1760. Catharine  
         Marion married May 1785, Thomas Whitehouse.<sup>114</sup> She died  
         Sept. 23, 1809.<sup>115</sup> Her will was dated Sept. 18, 1809.<sup>116</sup>

Esther Marion was buried March 1, 1760.<sup>117</sup>

<sup>105</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 96.

<sup>106</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 6, p. 108.

<sup>107</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 50.

<sup>108</sup> The Magazine, XVIII (1917), p. 96.

<sup>109</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 95, p. 145; vol. 98, p. 21.

<sup>110</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 82-A, p. 188.

<sup>111</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 36.

<sup>112</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 74.

<sup>113</sup> This Magazine, p. 71.

<sup>114</sup> *Ibid.*, XIX (1918), p. 142.

<sup>115</sup> *Ibid.* XXXIII (1932), p. 112.

<sup>116</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 31, p.

<sup>117</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 104.

## 15

Esther Marion (6, 2, 1) married (1st) John Allston of Prince George's Parish, planter, son of John and Deborah Allston.<sup>118</sup> He died in 1751. His will was dated August 28, 1750,<sup>119</sup> and the inventory of his estate was taken in 1752.<sup>120</sup> Children:

- 50 I Martha Allston married June 7, 1761, Benjamin Young.<sup>121</sup>
- 51 II Elizabeth Allston married Dec. 3, 1761, Benjamin Simons, Jr.<sup>122</sup>
- III Esther Cordes Allston died when about 18.
- 52 IV Ellinor Allston married Peter Simons.

      V Ann Allston died in infancy.

      VI John Allston died in infancy.

She married (2nd) Thomas Mitchell. He died early in 1768.<sup>123</sup> Children:

- VII Sarah Mitchell died young.
- 53 VIII Sarah Mitchell.
- 54 IX Elizabeth Mitchell married Dr. Thomas Waring of Georgetown.
- X Charlotte Mitchell died young.
- 55 XI Thomas Mitchell.
- 56 XII Edward Mitchell.

## 16

Isaac Marion (6, 2, 1) married about 1739 Rebecca Alston, daughter of William and Esther LaBruce Alston.<sup>124</sup> She was born May 12, 1722, and died April, 1790, in Georgetown.<sup>125</sup> Children:

- I Isaac Marion died in infancy.
  - 57 II Rebecca Alston Marion.
- He died May 31, 1781,<sup>126</sup> and is buried in the churchyard at Georgetown.

## 17

Gabriel Marion (6, 2, 1) married Catherine Taylor, daughter of Robert and Catherine Taylor.<sup>127</sup> He was a captain in the Cherokee Indian War.<sup>128</sup> Children:

- <sup>118</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 46.
- <sup>119</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 6, p. 568.
- <sup>120</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 79, p. 244.
- <sup>121</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 25.
- <sup>122</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 41.
- <sup>123</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 11, p. 271.
- <sup>124</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 42.
- <sup>125</sup> This Magazine, XXI (1920), p. 28.
- <sup>126</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 42.
- <sup>127</sup> *Ibid.*, No. 22 (1916), p. 43.
- <sup>128</sup> *Ibid.*, No. 22 (1916), p. 43.

- I Gabriel Marion was killed by the British in 1780.<sup>129</sup> His will was dated Oct. 21, 1780, and was proved July 24, 1784.<sup>130</sup> He was unmarried.<sup>131</sup>
- II Robert Marion married, May, 1792, Esther Gignilliat, the widow of Stephen Deveaux.<sup>132</sup> He was born in 1766.<sup>133</sup> They had no children. He died Mar. 22, 1811.<sup>134</sup> His will was made Nov. 17, 1810, and was proved Oct. 31, 1811.<sup>135</sup>
- III Benjamin Marion died unmarried.<sup>136</sup>
- IV Catherine Marion died young and unmarried in Dec., 1782.<sup>137</sup>
- 58 V Charlotte Marion, born 1759.
- VI Harriott Marion.<sup>138</sup>

Gabriel Marion died in 1777 and is buried at his plantation, Belle Isle, in St. Stephen's Parish.<sup>139</sup> His will is dated February 29, 1776.<sup>140</sup>

## 18

Benjamin Marion (6, 2, 1) married (1st) Martha Alston (Beauchamp), the daughter of John Alston.<sup>141</sup> They had no children. He married (2nd) Nov. 22, 1752, Esther Bonneau (14), widow of Peter Bonneau and daughter of Peter Simons and his wife Magdalen Cordes (5).<sup>142</sup> She was buried March 1, 1760.<sup>143</sup> Children:

- I Hester Marion, bapt. Oct. 14, 1753.
- II Anne Marion, bapt. Sept. 21, 1755.
- III Martha Marion, bapt. Apr. 2, 1758.
- IV Elizabeth Marion and
- V Catharine Marion, twins, born Feb. 28, 1760.

He was a member of the General Assembly for St. Thomas' Parish in

<sup>129</sup> *Ibid.*, No. 4 (1897), p. 22.

<sup>130</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 21, p. 445.

<sup>131</sup> Samuel Dubose, "Reminiscences of St. Stephen's Parish" in Samuel Dubose and Frederick A. Porcher, *A Contribution to the History of the Huguenots of South Carolina* (New York, 1887), p. 41.

<sup>132</sup> This *Magazine*, XXVI (1925), p. 160.

<sup>133</sup> *Ibid.*, XXXVI (1935), p. 69.

<sup>134</sup> *Ibid.*, XXXVI (1935), p. 69.

<sup>135</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 32, p. 497.

<sup>136</sup> Dubose, "Reminiscences of St. Stephens," p. 41.

<sup>137</sup> This *Magazine*, XXXVIII (1937), p. 14.

<sup>138</sup> Mentioned in the will of her brother, Gabriel.

<sup>139</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 44.

<sup>140</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 18, p. 276.

<sup>141</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 44.

<sup>142</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 36.

<sup>143</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 104.

1778.<sup>144</sup> He died September 20, 1778,<sup>145</sup> leaving a will dated December 7, 1775.<sup>146</sup>

## 19

Job Marion (6, 2, 1) married (1st) Elizabeth de St. Julien, daughter of Paul de St. Julien.<sup>147</sup> Child:

59 I Job de St. Julien Marion.

He married (2nd) December 14, 1762, Elizabeth Gaillard, daughter of Theodore and Elizabeth Serre Gaillard.<sup>148</sup> He was a representative from St. John's Parish to the Second Provincial Congress, 1775.<sup>149</sup> Children:

II Theodore Samuel Marion, bapt. July 8, 1764 (58).<sup>150</sup>

III Lydia Marion, born Sept. 3, 1767, died young.<sup>151</sup>

He died between June 8, 1778, when his will was made and January 29, 1779 when it was proved.<sup>152</sup>

## 20

General Francis Marion (6, 2, 1), the "Swamp Fox" of the Revolution, is said to have been born at Goatfield Plantation, Berkeley County, in 1732. He was a member of the Provincial Congress for St. John's, Berkeley, 1775,<sup>153</sup> senator for St. John's, to the Jacksonboro Assembly, 1781.<sup>154</sup> Marion was a veteran of the Cherokee Wars, 1760-61;<sup>155</sup> he was a major at Ft. Moultrie and was made a Brigadier General in 1780. He married April, 1786, Mary Esther Videau, the daughter of Anne Cordes (10) and Henry Videau.<sup>156</sup> She was born September 17, 1737 and died July 26, 1815.<sup>157</sup> Her will was made in 1814.<sup>158</sup> They had no children. He died February 27, 1795, and is buried at Belle Isle Plantation, St. Stephen's

<sup>144</sup> This Magazine, XVII (1916), p. 149.

<sup>145</sup> Ibid., XVII (1916), p. 149.

<sup>146</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 44.

<sup>147</sup> Ibid., No. 22 (1916), p. 45.

<sup>148</sup> Ibid., No. 44 (1939), p. 39.

<sup>149</sup> Ibid., VII (1906), p. 104.

<sup>150</sup> Ibid., XVII (1916), p. 39.

<sup>151</sup> Ibid., XVII (1916), p. 44.

<sup>152</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 45.

<sup>153</sup> McCrady, *South Carolina under Royal Government*, p. 804.

<sup>154</sup> Edward McCrady, *The History of South Carolina in the Revolution, 1780-1783* (New York, 1902), p. 740.

<sup>155</sup> D. D. Wallace, *The History of South Carolina*, 4 vols. (New York, 1934), II. 215.

<sup>156</sup> This Magazine, XX (1919), p. 55.

<sup>157</sup> Ibid., XXVI (1925), p. 160.

<sup>158</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 33-C (1807-1818), p. 1017.

Parish.<sup>159</sup> His will is dated October 16, 1787 and was proved March 6, 1795.<sup>160</sup>

## 21

Thomas Cordes (7, 2, 1) was born about 1728. He married, July 6, 1749, Anne Ravenel, daughter of Daniel Ravenel and Damaris Elizabeth de St. Julien.<sup>161</sup> She was born April 26, 1729,<sup>162</sup> and died suddenly February 23, 1796.<sup>163</sup> They had no children. Thomas Cordes was elected to the General Assembly in 1752 to represent Berkeley County but refused to serve.<sup>164</sup> He was one of the trustees of ChilSBury School in 1760.<sup>165</sup> He died between May 22, 1762 and July 6, 1763, when his will was made and proved.<sup>166</sup> He left an estate valued at £24,903.<sup>167</sup>

## 22

Samuel Cordes (7, 2, 1) married Elizabeth Porcher, daughter of Peter and Charlotte Marianne Gendron Porcher. She died between February 16, 1805 when her will was made and March 6, 1807 when it was proved.<sup>168</sup> Children:

- 60 I Catharine Cordes, born 1767.
- II Marianne Cordes married John Cordes Prioleau (87).
- 61 III Thomas Cordes.
- IV Peter Cordes, bapt. Aug. 1, 1766;<sup>169</sup> died young; not mentioned in his father's will.
- V Elizabeth Cordes, died Oct. 11, 1784,<sup>170</sup> at Bermuda where she had gone for the recovery of her health.
- 62 VI Francis Cordes, born June 17, 1772.<sup>171</sup>  
He died in 1796. His will is dated May 15, 1796, and was proved October 29, 1796.<sup>172</sup> He is buried in Biggin Churchyard.

<sup>159</sup> This *Magazine*, XXIII (1922), p. 28.

<sup>160</sup> CPC, Will Book 1793-1800, p. 190.

<sup>161</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 29.

<sup>162</sup> H. E. Ravenel (ed.) *Ravenel Records; A History and Genealogy of the Huguenot Family of South Carolina . . .* (Atlanta, 1898), p. 142.

<sup>163</sup> This *Magazine*, XXIII (1922), p. 155.

<sup>164</sup> *South Carolina Gazette*, January 22, 1752.

<sup>165</sup> CRMC, Book WW (abstracts), p. 87.

<sup>166</sup> CPC, Will Book 1760-1767, p. 318.

<sup>167</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 87-B, p. 598.

<sup>168</sup> CPC, Will Book D 1800-1807, p. 707.

<sup>169</sup> A. S. Salley, Jr. and D. E. Huger Smith (eds.), *Register of St. Philip's Parish, Charles Town or Charleston, S. C., 1754-1810* (Charleston, 1927), p. 75.

<sup>170</sup> This *Magazine*, XIX (1918), p. 112.

<sup>171</sup> Tombstone in Biggin Churchyard.

<sup>172</sup> CPC, Will Book C 1793-1800, p. 340.

## 23

Elizabeth Cordes (7, 2, 1) married Peter Porcher, of Peru Plantation, St. Stephen's Parish, the son of Peter and Charlotte Marianne Gendron Porcher.<sup>173</sup> He died in 1781.<sup>174</sup> Children:<sup>175</sup>

I Peter Porcher, born Dec. 19, 1756; married Elizabeth Marion, daughter of Benjamin and Esther Bonneau Marion (49).

63 II Elizabeth Porcher, born Aug. 2, 1760.

64 III Thomas Porcher, born Nov. 24, 1766.

65 IV Samuel Porcher, born Feb. 12, 1768.

She died in 1783.<sup>176</sup>

## 24

Ann Simons (10, 2, 1) was born September 5, 1725. Married Jan. 3, 1743/4, Jonathan Collins.<sup>177</sup> Child:

66 I Mary Ann Collins, born Feb. 5, 1744;<sup>178</sup> married May 29, 1764, William Luyten.<sup>179</sup>

She was buried Mar. 16, 1744/45.<sup>180</sup>

## 25

Francis Simons (10, 2, 1) was born January 16, 1726/7. He married May 29, 1750, Elizabeth McGregor.<sup>181</sup> Children:

67 I Anne Simons, bapt. Oct. 20, 1751.<sup>182</sup>

II Francis Simons, buried Feb. 13, 1767.<sup>183</sup>

He was buried October 4, 1771 at Pompion Hill.<sup>184</sup> His will is dated February 4, 1768, and was proved November 16, 1771.<sup>185</sup>

## 26

Hannah Simons (10, 2, 1) was born December 26, 1728. She married April 27, 1749, John Hasell of Berkeley County, planter.<sup>186</sup> He was the

<sup>173</sup> Dubose, "Reminiscences of St. Stephens," p. 49.

<sup>174</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 19, p. 233.

<sup>175</sup> I am indebted to Miss Anne Allston Porcher for much of the information on the Porcher family.

<sup>176</sup> *South Carolina Weekly Gazette*, September 27, 1783.

<sup>177</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 29.

<sup>178</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 54.

<sup>179</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 29.

<sup>180</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 98.

<sup>181</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 41.

<sup>182</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 83.

<sup>183</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 108.

<sup>184</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 108.

<sup>185</sup> CPC, transcripts, vol. 14, p. 116.

<sup>186</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 33.

son of the Rev. Thomas Hasell and his wife, Elizabeth Ashby, and was born February 20, 1723/4.<sup>187</sup> He died in 1752 leaving a will dated July 22, 1752.<sup>188</sup> Child:

68 I John Hasell, born Nov. 4, 1750.<sup>189</sup>

She married (2nd) December 9, 1753, Rene Peyre.<sup>190</sup> He died in 1766. Children:

69 II Francis Peyre.

70 III Anne Peyre.

She died before 1765.

## 27

Esther Simons (10, 2, 1) was born December 30, 1730. She married May 26, 1752, Josias Alston.<sup>191</sup> He died after 1774.<sup>192</sup> Children:<sup>193</sup>

71 I Francis Alston.

72 II John Alston.

73 III William Alston.

74 IV Benjamin Alston.

75 V Joseph Alston.

76 VI Hannah Alston.

77 VII Anne Alston.

78 VIII Martha Alston.

79 IX Mary Alston married Mr. Steed.

She died about 1773.

## 28

Ellinor Cordes (11, 4, 2, 1) was born May 23, 1744. She married June 7, 1764 Theodore Gaillard.<sup>194</sup> He was born September 3, 1737,<sup>195</sup> and died May 26, 1805. His will is dated January 25, 1805 and was proved June 17, 1805.<sup>196</sup> Children:<sup>197</sup>

I James Gaillard, born Sept. 5, 1765, died Sept. 14, 1765.

80 II Elizabeth Gaillard, born Oct. 13, 1766.

<sup>187</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 64.

<sup>188</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 7, p. 48.

<sup>189</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 65.

<sup>190</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 38.

<sup>191</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 25.

<sup>192</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 17, p. 527.

<sup>193</sup> Names taken from Josias Alston's will.

<sup>194</sup> This *Magazine*, XXXII (1931), p. 312.

<sup>195</sup> *Ibid.*, XLI (1940), p. 39.

<sup>196</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 30, p. 849.

<sup>197</sup> This *Magazine*, XLI (1940), p. 39.

- 81 III Theodore Gaillard, born Jan. 6, 1768; married Nov. 1, 1792,  
Martha Doughty, daughter of William Doughty.<sup>198</sup> 88
- 82 IV John Gaillard, born Oct. 16, 1769; married Harriet Lord;  
died in March 1807. 89
- V Samuel Gaillard, born Nov. 13, 1770. He and his brother  
Thomas left Charleston Sept. 18, 1795, and were lost upon the  
voyage to the West Indies.
- VI Ellinor Serre Gaillard, born Dec. 26, 1771, died August 23  
1772. 91
- VII Serre Gaillard, born Jan. 17, 1773, died May 18, 1773.<sup>199</sup>
- 83 VIII Henrietta Catherine Gaillard, born Sept. 6, 1774.
- 84 IX Bartholomew Gaillard, born Apr. 24, 1776.
- X Thomas Gaillard, born June 7, 1778; died 1795.
- 85 XI Peter Gaillard, born Oct. 2, 1782.
- XII David Gaillard, born June 26, 1786; died July 26, 1801, while  
bathing in Charleston Harbor.<sup>200</sup>

She died October 31, 1808, and is buried in Biggin churchyard.<sup>201</sup> Her  
will is dated May 12, 1807, and was proved January 18, 1809.<sup>202</sup>

## 29

Catharine Cordes (11, 4, 2, 1) was born June 27, 1745. She married October 9, 1766, Samuel Prioleau, son of Samuel and Providence Hex, Prioleau.<sup>203</sup> He was born August 25, 1742,<sup>204</sup> and died February 23, 1813 and is buried at the Prioleau plantation on Back River.<sup>205</sup> His will is dated June 15, 1809.<sup>206</sup> During the Revolution he was exiled to St. Augustine by the British while his wife and children were sent to Philadelphia.<sup>207</sup> Children.<sup>208</sup>

- 86 I Catharine Cordes Prioleau, born Sept. 26, 1769.<sup>209</sup>  
87 II John Cordes Prioleau.

<sup>198</sup> *Ibid.*, XXI (1920), p. 129.

<sup>199</sup> *Ibid.*, XVII (1916), p. 78.

<sup>200</sup> *Charleston Times*, July 30, 1801.

<sup>201</sup> This *Magazine*, XLI (1940), p. 39. The tombstone gives the date of her  
death as November 1.

<sup>202</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 31, p. 188.

<sup>203</sup> This *Magazine*, XX (1919), p. 211.

<sup>204</sup> Macbeth, *Abstract of a Genealogical Collection*, p. 29.

<sup>205</sup> This *Magazine*, XXXVIII (1937), p. 69.

<sup>206</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 32, p. 657.

<sup>207</sup> This *Magazine*, XXXVIII (1937), p. 69.

<sup>208</sup> The tombstone to Mrs. Prioleau gives information to the effect that she was  
the mother of eleven children, seven of whom preceded her to the grave.

<sup>209</sup> Macbeth, *Abstract of a Genealogical Collection*, p. 30.

- 88 III Philip Gendron Prioleau, born July 9, 1776.<sup>210</sup>  
 89 IV Carolina Prioleau, born in Philadelphia during the exile of her  
     mother, July 15, 1782.<sup>211</sup>  
 90 V Mary Magdalen Prioleau married Nov. 20, 1800, Timothy  
     Ford.<sup>212</sup> They were the parents of Louisa C. Ford who married  
     Dr. Edmund Ravenel, son of Daniel Ravenel and Catherine  
     Cordes Prioleau.  
 VI Martha Prioleau, born Jan. 14, 1784;<sup>213</sup> died unmarried, Dec.  
     28, 1873, and is buried at Back River.<sup>214</sup>  
 91 VII Elias Prioleau, bapt. Aug. 23, 1789;<sup>215</sup> married Rebecca Broome.  
 VIII Elizabeth Prioleau.  
 She died October 16, 1832, and is buried at Back River.<sup>216</sup> Her will is  
 dated January 4, 1825.<sup>217</sup>

## 30

John Cordes (11, 4, 2, 1) was born 1749. He joined the South Carolina Society in Dec. 1773, as the 425th member.<sup>218</sup> He was elected a delegate to the Second Provincial Congress from St. John's, Berkeley, in 1775.<sup>219</sup> The same year he was appointed a receiver of flour and rice for the commissioners appointed by Congress.<sup>220</sup> In 1781 he was elected a member of the House of Representatives for St. John's.<sup>221</sup> He married (1st) May 11, 1775, Judith Banbury, daughter of William Banbury.<sup>222</sup> She died August 13, 1783.<sup>223</sup> Children:

- I Catherine Cordes, born 1779 (88).
- II William Cordes, born 1783; died unmarried June 11, 1818,<sup>224</sup>  
     and is buried in Biggin churchyard.

John Cordes married (2nd) March 27, 1788, Catherine Marianne Mazyck, daughter of Stephen Mazyck and Susanna Ravenel.<sup>225</sup> She was born April 9, 1761. She married April 17, 1804, Dr. Samuel Wilson and died

<sup>210</sup> Tombstone inscription.

<sup>211</sup> Tombstone inscription.

<sup>212</sup> This *Magazine*, XXVI (1925), p. 232.

<sup>213</sup> *Ibid.*, XL (1939), p. 34.

<sup>214</sup> *Ibid.*, XL (1939), p. 34.

<sup>215</sup> Saley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 113.

<sup>216</sup> This *Magazine*, XL (1939), p. 34.

<sup>217</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 39, p. 1054.

<sup>218</sup> Easterby, *Rules of the South Carolina Society*, p. 112.

<sup>219</sup> This *Magazine*, VII (1906), p. 104.

<sup>220</sup> *Ibid.*, IX (1908), p. 186.

<sup>221</sup> *Ibid.*, XXXIV (1933), p. 201.

<sup>222</sup> Saley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 219.

<sup>223</sup> This *Magazine*, XVIII (1917), p. 87.

<sup>224</sup> Tombstone inscription.

<sup>225</sup> This *Magazine*, V (1904), p. 119.

in 1823.<sup>226</sup> John Cordes died of apoplexy at Pineville on September 3, 1798, and is buried in Biggin churchyard.<sup>227</sup> His will was dated August 26, 1798, and was proved November 14, 1798.<sup>228</sup>

## 31

Thomas Cordes (11, 4, 2, 1) was born Mar. 23, 1753. He lived and died on the plantation in St. Stephen's Parish known as Yaughan, which was given him by his older brother, John.<sup>229</sup> He was an ardent patriot and only escaped hanging by the British by the arrival of a pardon from Lord Cornwallis, granted at the entreaty of his brother-in-law, Theodore Gaillard. In 1784 he was a member of the House of Representatives and a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1790.<sup>230</sup> He became a member of the South Carolina Society in 1774.<sup>231</sup> He married November 21, 1784, Charlotte Evance, daughter of Major Thomas Evance and his wife Margaret Smith.<sup>232</sup> She was born in Charleston, November 13, 1767,<sup>233</sup> and died July 5, 1826, and is buried in Biggin churchyard.<sup>234</sup> Her will was proved Feb. 27, 1827.<sup>235</sup> Children:<sup>236</sup>

- I Thomas Cordes, born May 22, 1788; died June 18, 1789.
- 92 II Samuel Cordes, born Aug. 10, 1790.
- III John Cordes, born Sept. 12, 1792.
- IV Margaret Catherine Cordes, born Apr. 26, 1795; died at Pineville, S. C., Dec. 20, 1869, and is buried in St. Stephen's churchyard.<sup>237</sup>
- V Thomas Evance Cordes, born Nov. 6, 1797. He was one of the stewards of the Murray's Ferry Jockey Club, Pineville, 1824.<sup>238</sup> He married a Miss Hines and they had twin sons who died in infancy. He died of bilious fever after June, 1826, as he is mentioned in his mother's will.
- VI Charlotte Lavinia Cordes, born Jan. 5, 1800, married Dec. 22, 1842, Charles Burnham Cochran.<sup>239</sup> He died in 1886.<sup>240</sup> She

<sup>226</sup> *Ibid.*, XXVII (1926), p. 222.

<sup>227</sup> *Ibid.*, XXV (1924), p. 106.

<sup>228</sup> CPC, Will Book C 1793-1800, p. 514.

<sup>229</sup> Dubose, "Reminiscences of St. Stephens," p. 50.

<sup>230</sup> *South Carolina Gazette*, February 15, 1790.

<sup>231</sup> Easterby, *Rules of the South Carolina Society*, p. 112.

<sup>232</sup> This *Magazine*, XIX (1918), p. 112.

<sup>233</sup> Bible of Thomas Cordes.

<sup>234</sup> Tombstone inscription.

<sup>235</sup> CPC, Will Book G 1826-1834, p. 134.

<sup>236</sup> Dates from Bible.

<sup>237</sup> Tombstone inscription.

<sup>238</sup> Georgetown *Winyaw Intelligencer*, January 1, 1825.

<sup>239</sup> Schirmer Records (Mss. in the South Carolina Historical Society, Charleston).

<sup>240</sup> CPC, Will Book R 1885-1889.

died July 14, 1882.<sup>241</sup> They are both buried in the burying ground at Walnut Grove, St. James Santee.

VII Anna Camilla Cordes, born June 22, 1802; died in Charleston, April 4, 1874, and is buried in St. Stephen's churchyard.<sup>242</sup>

He died August 10, 1806, and is buried in Biggin churchyard.<sup>243</sup>

### 33

Daniel Huger (12, 4, 2, 1) was born February 20, 1741/2. He married October 1772, Sabina Elliott, daughter of William Elliott and his wife, Sabina Codner.<sup>244</sup> She was born in 1758 and died July, 1799.<sup>245</sup> Her will was made in 1786 and was proved February 17, 1802.<sup>246</sup> Children:

93 I Daniel Elliott Huger, born June 29, 1779.

94 II Sarah Huger.

95 III Anna Elliott Huger married April 22, 1802, Edward William Laight.<sup>247</sup>

96 IV Sabina Elliott Huger married July 1815, in New York, John Wells.<sup>248</sup>

Daniel Huger served as a delegate to the Continental Congress, 1786-88,<sup>249</sup> and was a representative to the Federal Congress, 1789-93. He died in 1799,<sup>250</sup> leaving a will dated April 11, 1799, which was proved in May, 1800.<sup>251</sup>

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Gen. Isaac Huger (12, 4, 2, 1) was born March 19, 1742/3. He was a lieutenant in the Cherokee War; lieutenant-colonel of the 1st Regiment in 1776; colonel of the 5th Regiment of the Continental Line; and in 1779 was made a brigadier general.<sup>252</sup> He married, March 23, 1762, Elizabeth Chalmers.<sup>253</sup> She died August, 1799.<sup>254</sup> Children:

<sup>241</sup> Tombstone inscription.

<sup>242</sup> Tombstone inscription.

<sup>243</sup> Tombstone inscription.

<sup>244</sup> This *Magazine*, XI (1910), p. 94.

<sup>245</sup> *Ibid.*, XXV (1924), p. 181.

<sup>246</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 28, p. 238.

<sup>247</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 274.

<sup>248</sup> This *Magazine*, XL (1939), p. 103.

<sup>249</sup> *Ibid.*, XII (1911), p. 8.

<sup>250</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 360.

<sup>251</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 27, p. 972.

<sup>252</sup> This *Magazine*, XII (1911), p. 8.

<sup>253</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 167.

<sup>254</sup> This *Magazine*, XXV (1924), p. 182.

- I Elizabeth Huger, born Oct. 20, 1763.<sup>255</sup> She died between Mar. 20, 1822, and Feb. 13, 1828, when her will was made and proved.<sup>256</sup>
- II Mary Huger, born Dec. 1, 1764.<sup>257</sup>
- III Martha Huger, born Dec. 16, 1765.<sup>258</sup> She died between June 1, 1818, and Apr. 22, 1819.<sup>259</sup>
- IV Isaac Huger, born Mar. 1, 1767,<sup>260</sup> died Oct. 22, 1791.<sup>261</sup>
- V Daniel Huger, born May 17, 1768,<sup>262</sup> died July 17, 1798.<sup>263</sup>
- VI Francis Huger, born July 26, 1769.<sup>264</sup>
- VII Ann Huger.<sup>265</sup>
- VIII Sarah Huger, died between Feb. 11, 1832, and Mar. 28, 1832.<sup>266</sup>  
He died Oct. 5, 1797.<sup>267</sup>

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Hon. John Huger (12, 4, 2, 1) was born June 5, 1744. Prior to the Declaration of Independence he was a member of the Assembly.<sup>268</sup> He was a member of the Council of Safety and after the war, Intendant of the city of Charleston and Secretary of State of South Carolina. He married (1st) March 15, 1767, Charlotte Motte, daughter of Jacob Motte.<sup>269</sup> Children:

- I Daniel Huger, baptized Sept. 27, 1775.<sup>270</sup>
- 97 II Mary Shubrick Huger, baptized Mar. 24, 1778,<sup>271</sup> married Feb. 1789, John Dawson, Jr.<sup>272</sup>
- 98 III Daniel Huger, baptized Mar. 2, 1779.<sup>273</sup>
- IV Charlotte Huger, died 1835–1836.<sup>274</sup>

<sup>255</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 9.

<sup>256</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 37, p. 360.

<sup>257</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 11.

<sup>258</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 11.

<sup>259</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 34, p. 150.

<sup>260</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 11.

<sup>261</sup> This Magazine, XXI (1920), p. 84.

<sup>262</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 11.

<sup>263</sup> This Magazine, XXV (1924), p. 102.

<sup>264</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 12.

<sup>265</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 65. No date is given.

<sup>266</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 39, p. 1006.

<sup>267</sup> This Magazine, XXIV (1923), p. 73.

<sup>268</sup> *Ibid.*, XII (1911), p. 8.

<sup>269</sup> *Ibid.*, XI (1910), p. 32.

<sup>270</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 90.

<sup>271</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 94.

<sup>272</sup> This Magazine, XXI (1920), p. 26.

<sup>273</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 95.

<sup>274</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 41, p. 493.

He married (2nd) January 11, 1785, Ann Cusack, widow of James Cusack.<sup>275</sup> Children:

V John Huger.

98a VI Alfred Huger, baptized Mar. 20, 1789.<sup>276</sup>

99 VIII Benjamin Huger.

IX Elizabeth Huger.

His will is dated October 12, 1803, and was proved Feb. 22, 1804.<sup>277</sup>

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Major Benjamin Huger (12, 4, 2, 1) was born December 30, 1746. He was a major of the 1st Regiment of Riflemen<sup>278</sup> and in 1776 a member of the Provincial Congress.<sup>279</sup> He married (1st) in 1767 Mary Golightly, daughter of Culcheth Golightly.<sup>280</sup> She died November 5, 1771.<sup>281</sup> Child:

100 I Benjamin Huger.

He married (2nd) December 1, 1772, Mary Esther Kinloch, daughter of Francis and Anne Kinloch.<sup>282</sup> Children:

100a II Mary Golightly Huger, born 1771.

101 III Francis Kinloch Huger born Sept. 17, 1773.<sup>283</sup> He married Jan. 14, 1802, Harriett Lucas Pinckney.<sup>284</sup> This is the Francis who attempted to rescue Lafayette in 1798.

IV Eliza Huger, bapt. July 12, 1776.<sup>285</sup>

Major Huger was killed at the Lines before Charles Town May 11, 1779.<sup>286</sup>

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Magdalen Bonneau (14, 5, 2, 1) was born March 29, 1738. She married Dec. 5, 1760, Henry Guerin.<sup>287</sup> He was buried April, 1772 at his plantation.<sup>288</sup> Children:<sup>289</sup>

102 I Hester Guerin, bapt. Jan. 24, 1762.

103 II Isaac Guerin, bapt. Aug. 19, 1764.

<sup>275</sup> This *Magazine*, XIX (1918), p. 137.

<sup>276</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 111.

<sup>277</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 29, p. 589.

<sup>278</sup> This *Magazine*, XII (1911), p. 9.

<sup>279</sup> *Ibid.*, VII (1906), p. 105.

<sup>280</sup> *Ibid.*, XI (1910), p. 33.

<sup>281</sup> *Ibid.*, XVII (1916), p. 46.

<sup>282</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 204.

<sup>283</sup> This *Magazine*, XXI (1920), p. 65.

<sup>284</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 273.

<sup>285</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 91.

<sup>286</sup> This *Magazine*, I (1900), p. 175.

<sup>287</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 27.

<sup>288</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 101.

<sup>289</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 63.

104 III Henry Guerin, born Jan. 24, 1767.

She was buried Nov. 28, 1769.<sup>290</sup>

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Hester Bonneau (14, 5, 2, 1) was born May 12, 1740. She married December 16, 1759,<sup>291</sup> Col. Joseph Maybank.<sup>292</sup> He was the son of Joseph Maybank and Marianne Dupuy. He was born December 19, 1735 and died between May 19, 1781, and February 25, 1783. Children:<sup>293</sup>

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- 105 I Hester Maybank, bapt. Apr. 26, 1761; married Dec. 15, 1785, William Cleland.<sup>294</sup>  
 106 II Joseph Maybank, bapt. Mar. 17, 1765; died July 1784.  
 106 III David Maybank and  
 107 IV Andrew Maybank, twins, bapt. May 24, 1767.<sup>295</sup>  
 108 V Susannah Maybank, bapt. Dec. 10, 1769.  
 109 VI Mary Maybank, bapt. Mar. 28, 1773.  
 110 VII Peter Bonneau Maybank, bapt. June 25, 1775.

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Martha Marion (14, 5, 2, 1) was baptized April 2, 1758. She married (1st) Patrick Roche.<sup>296</sup> He died about 1796, leaving a will dated February 5, 1794.<sup>297</sup> She married (2nd) December 12, 1799, Paul Warley.<sup>298</sup> He died in 1807. In his will which is dated February 20, 1807, he mentions his wife and sons Paul and James.<sup>299</sup> She died after September 1809, as she is mentioned in the will of her sister, Catherine Whitehouse.<sup>300</sup>

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Elizabeth Marion (14, 5, 2, 1) was born February 28, 1760. She married Peter Porcher, the son of Peter Porcher and Elizabeth Cordes (23).<sup>301</sup> He was born December 19, 1756 and died October 31, 1793.<sup>302</sup> His will was made in 1793 and proved in 1797.<sup>303</sup> Children:

<sup>290</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 101.<sup>291</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 36.<sup>292</sup> This *Magazine*, XL (1939), p. 117.<sup>293</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis*, p. 74.<sup>294</sup> This *Magazine*, XIX (1918), p. 179.<sup>295</sup> Clute, *Register of St. Thomas and St. Denis* gives the name as Daniel.<sup>296</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 45.<sup>297</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 26, p. 503.<sup>298</sup> This *Magazine*, XXVI (1925), p. 52.<sup>299</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 30, p. 1121.<sup>300</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 31, p. 321.<sup>301</sup> THSSC, No. 22 (1916), p. 45.<sup>302</sup> This *Magazine*, XXII (1921), p. 22.<sup>303</sup> CPC, Transcripts, vol. 26, p. 556.

- I Elizabeth Porcher, born July 8, 1780; died Feb. 14, 1781.
- II Elizabeth Catherine Porcher, born Nov. 12, 1781; married Joseph Palmer.
- III Marianne Porcher, born Oct. 1785; married Nov. 17, 1808, Dr. William Chisolm.
- IV Martha Porcher, born May 14, 1789; married Arnoldus Bonneau.
- V Peter Porcher, born 1787; died 1793.  
Elizabeth Marion Porcher married (2nd) March 7, 1796, James Scott. She died Aug. 1796.

## 53

Sarah Mitchell (15, 6, 2, 1) married, June 3, 1779, Dr. William Alexander Hyrne, son of Henry Hyrne and Elizabeth Clark Sanders.<sup>304</sup> He was born December 16, 1754. His will is dated Jan. 13, 1784. They had no children. She married (2nd) Jan. 9, 1794, Benjamin Clarke Cutler.<sup>305</sup> Her son Francis Marion Cutler is mentioned in the will of Mary Esther Marion, the widow of Gen Francis Marion. From this marriage are descended Ward McAllister, Julia Ward Howe, and F. Marion Crawford.

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<sup>304</sup> This *Magazine*, XXII (1921), p. 116.

<sup>305</sup> Salley and Smith, *Register of St. Philip's Parish*, p. 255.

## MARRIAGE AND DEATH NOTICES FROM THE CITY GAZETTE OF CHARLESTON, S. C.

Contributed by ELIZABETH H. JERVEY

(Continued from April)

Married, on Thursday evening last, by the Rev. Dr. Buchan, Mr. William Jennings, to Miss Elizabeth Greneker, all of this city.

The Friends and Acquaintances of the late John Bonthron, are invited to attend his Funeral, without further invitation, from his late residence, precisely at 3 o'clock This Afternoon. (Saturday, June 21, 1817.)

Married, at New-York, some days ago, by the Right Reverend Bishop Hobart, Col. George Crogan, of Locust Grove, Ky. to Miss Serena Livingston, daughter of John B. Livingston, Esq. of that City.

Died, at her residence near Georgetown, on the 10th inst. in the 73d year of her age, Mrs. Elizabeth Martin. (Monday, June 23, 1817.)

Departed this life, on the 13th inst. Miss Margaret Louisa M'Cullers, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Matthew M'Cullers, of St. James, Goose Creek. (Tuesday, June 24, 1817.)

Married, on Thursday, the 12th inst. by the Rev. John M'Cormick, Mr. John S. Gruber, of St. Bartholomew's Parish, to Miss Ann R. Koger, of same place. (Wednesday, June 25, 1817.)

Died, suddenly, on the 25th inst. Mr. James Livens, aged about 35, for many years a respectable and skillful Branch Pilot in our Harbor. . . . During the late war, he also signalized himself for bravery and devotion to the country of his adoption, by retaking his vessel from an English Mis-shipman and 3 or 4 men and bringing her in triumph into port. For this gallant exploit, he received the enraptured plaudits of his fellow citizens, a grant of money from Congress, and a handsome donation from the merchants of the city.

The Friends and Acquaintances of Mr. John Rubery, are requested to attend his Funeral This Afternoon, at 4 o'clock, from the house of Mr. Thomas A. Vardell, Boundary-street, near the Hay Market. (Friday, June 27, 1817.)

Died, in Washington City, on Wednesday last, the 18th instant, between the hours of one and two, in the 71st year of his age, the Most Rev. Leonard Neale. (From *National Intelligencer*.) (Saturday, June 28, 1817.)

Married, at the residence of Mrs. Pyne, Church-street, on the evening of the 25th inst. by the Rev. Mr. Muhller, Colonel James Bankhead, of the U. S. Army, to Miss Ann S. Pyne. (Monday, June 30, 1817.)

Died on the 22d ult. Mr. Elias Richmond about 37 years of age, a native of Middleborough, Massachusetts.

Died, on the 15th June, at St. Michael's E. S. Md. of a pulmonary complaint, with which he had long been afflicted, Lieut. Edward Hadaway, of the U. S. Navy. (Tuesday, July 1, 1817.)

Died, on the 23d ult. Mr. Samuel Nobbs, aged 31, a native of England, and a resident in this city for many years.

Died at Philadelphia, on the 24th. ult. Thomas M'Kean, Esq. formerly Governor of Pennsylvania. (Thursday, July 3, 1817.)

Died in Savannah, on the 12th ult. in the 46th year of his age, Jacob Deveaux, a native of this City. (Friday, July 4, 1817.)

Married, on the 5th. inst. in St. Philip's Church, by the Rev. Mr. Gadsden, Mr. Charles P. Gordon, to Miss Margaret Elizabeth Campbell, daughter of Lawrence Campbell, deceased. (Monday, July 7, 1817.)

Died, at Philadelphia, a few days since, Thomas M'Kean, L.L.D. one of the earliest and firm friends of American Independence, sometime a Representative of the Continental Congress, of which he was the President; many years, Chief Justice of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and closed his long and useful career by serving as Governor of the State for 9 years. Mr. M'Kean was a native of Pennsylvania, of an old Irish stock . . .

Died, at Middletown, in Kentucky, on the 7th ult. Gen. Samuel Dickenson, aged 53 years—a venerable Revolutionary Whig. He had lived in Kentucky but a few years, having removed thither from Delaware, of which State he was a native. (Tuesday, July 8, 1817.)

Married, at Camden, on the 25th ult. by the Rev. Isaac Smith, Colonel Francis Blair, of Camden, to Miss Flora Lee, of Sumter District. (Thursday, July 10, 1817.)

The Friends and Acquaintances of Mr. Jacob Eckhard are invited to attend the Funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Eckhard, This Afternoon, at four o'clock, from her late residence No 30 Coming-Street, without further invitation. (Friday, July 11, 1817.)

Died, on the 9th inst. Mr. Rufus Gillison, aged 23 years, a native of the District of Maine, in Massachusetts; lately resident in Jacksonborough, S. C. (The Printers in Boston are requested to publish this notice.) (Saturday, July 12, 1817.)

The Friends and Acquaintances of the late Mr. Robert Quan and the Members of the Marine Society are invited to attend his Funeral from the house of Mrs. Reed, next door to the corner of Smith's-lane in King-street, This Afternoon, at four o'clock, without further invitation. (Monday, July 14, 1817.)

The Friends and Acquaintances of Mr. George E. and Mrs. Elizabeth R. Hahnbaum and of the late Mrs. Mary Switzer are requested to attend the Funeral of the latter, This Afternoon, at four o'clock, from the residence

of her Son, Mr. G. E. Hahnbaum, No 175 King-street, opposite Blackbird-alley.

The Friends and Acquaintances of William D. Wray, are invited to attend the Funeral of his Brother, James Wray, without further invitation, from his house, No. 10, Market-street at eight o'clock This Morning. (Tuesday, July 15, 1817.)

The Friends and Acquaintances of Mr. John Dempsey, are invited to attend his Funeral This Morning, at eight o'clock from his late residence, No. 394 King-street. (Wednesday, July 16, 1817.)

Departed this life, on the 13th inst. after a long and painful illness, which he bore with patience and resignation, Mr. John Trenholm Barron, in the 21st year of his age, sincerely beloved and lamented by his numerous friends and acquaintances . . .

Died, at Newport (R. I.) after a long illness much regretted, Lieut. Edward S. Nowell, of the U. S. Marine Corps, son of the late Edward B. Nowell, Esq. of Charleston, in the 21st year of his age. He was interred with military honors. (Friday, July 18, 1817.)

Died on the passage from Havana, on board H. M. brig Shearwater, Lieut. Wm. Gough, of the 2d W. I. Regiment.

Also ——— Paisley, Surgeon of said brig,—last night, after a short illness, Capt. Edward Howley, R. N. Commander of H. M. brig Shearwater. (Saturday, July 19, 1817.)

Departed this life on the 18th inst. Mr. Joseph Lloyd, a native of this city, in the 57 year of his age, after a few hours of distressing illness. . . . Although but a stripling at the commencement of the Revolutionary contest, he eagerly joined the Standard of his Country, and bared his breast to the enemy at the Siege of Charleston and in the severe battle at Savannah, and after the fall of the former place, at the imminent risk of his life, he joined the gallant Marion. . . .

The friends and Acquaintances of the late Dr. Alexander Habersham of Savannah are requested to attend his Funeral from the house of Stephen Elliott, Meeting-street, at five o'clock this afternoon. (Tuesday, July 22, 1817.)

Departed this life, on Thursday, the 10th. instant, after an illness of a few days, Mrs. Elizabeth Eckhard, the youngest daughter of the late Capt. Daniel Strobel, in the 27th year of her age, leaving two infant children. . . .

Died, on the 14th inst. at Havana, after a few days illness, Capt. Robinson Crocker, late commander of the schr. Calypso, of this port.

Died, in the Hospital in New York, on the 7th. inst. Capt. Thomas S. Seymour, of Hartford (Conn.) formerly of the 25th Regt. U. S. Infantry—a brave and meritorious officer.

The Friends and Acquaintances of Messrs. Luke and John Fraser are

invited to attend the Funeral of Mr. John Fraser This Morning; at 11 o'clock, from the Carolina Coffee House. (Wednesday, July 23, 1817.)

The Friends and Acquaintances of Mr. and Mrs. James Browne, and the Members of the South Carolina and Fellowship Societies are requested to attend the Funeral of Mr. James Browne, This Afternoon, at 4 o'clock, from his late residence, No. 194 Meeting street, without further invitation.

Died, on the 10th. inst. at Petersburg, Va. Griffin Smith, Esq. Judge of the Norfolk District Court, a man of rising reputation, a judge of fine talents. (Friday, July 25, 1817.)

Married, on Thursday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Urban Cooper, Mr. William M. Dyre, to Miss Anna Harper Donaldson Mitchell, daughter of the late Colonel John Mitchell, of this city.

Departed this life, on Wednesday last, the 23rd. inst. in the thirty fourth year of his age, after a painful illness of four months, which he bore with fortitude John Marshall, Cutler, a native of Perth, in Scotland, and for the last fifteen years a resident of this city. He left a widow and two small children to mourn the loss of a fond husband and an affectionate father.

Died at Laurens Court-House, on the 14th inst. Mr. Thomas Lewers, a native of Ireland, but a citizen of the United States, before their struggle for Independence, in which he took an active part. (Saturday, July 26, 1817.)

Married at Salem, on the 14th. inst. Mr. Samuel Chadwick, merchant, of this city, to Miss Eliza Champney, of the former place.

Called suddenly from time to eternity on Friday the 18th inst. in the 14th year of her age, Harriet Amanda, third daughter of James H. Ward, Esq. . . . (Monday July 28, 1817.)

Died, on the 14th inst. Mr. John Hazzard, ship joiner, aged twenty nine years, a native of Massachusetts, but for some time a resident of this city, leaving a wife and four children to mourn their loss. . . . (Tuesday, July 29, 1817.)

Married, on Friday, the 26th instant by the Rev. Doctor Furman, William Gerty, Esq. late of the City of Dublin, to Miss Rachel Thompson of this City.

Departed this life, on the 24th instant, in the 57th year of his age, after a long and painful illness of nine weeks, Mr. James Browne, a native of England, but for forty years a respectable resident of this place.

Died, in this City, on the 27th inst. after a short illness, Mr. Phineas Ward, aged 25 years, son of Capt. James T. Ward, of Middletown, Conn. (Wednesday, July 30, 1817.)

Departed this life, on the 21st instant, Captain William Laidler, aged 40 years and 4 months, a native of St. Augustine, East Florida; and 32 years a resident of this City. He has left an aged mother and three orphan children to lament his loss. (Thursday, July 31, 1817.)

Departed this life, on the 26th inst. Mr. Peter Wartenburg, aged 40 years and nine months, a native of Germany, but a resident of Charleston 14 years. He has left a disconsolate wife and two children to bemoan his loss. . . . (Friday, August 1, 1817.)

Died in Columbia, S. C. on the 26th ult. Mr. Henry D. Herron, House-Carpenter, formerly of this City.

Died in Beaufort, S. C. on Thursday, the 10th ult, Dr. Nathaniel H. Rhodes, after a short illness.

Died, on the 22d ult. at the Quarantine Hospital, Staten Island, New York, Mr. William Johnston, a native of Scotland, a passenger in the ship Corsair, from this port. (Saturday, August 2, 1817.)

Died, in London, on the 9th May last, Edward Penman, Esq formerly a respectable merchant in this city. (Monday, August 4, 1817.)

The Friends and acquaintances of the late Doctor Howard Mitchelson; also the Friends and Acquaintances of Napier & Co. are particularly requested to attend his Funeral from Mrs. Ann Hillman's near the counting house of John M. Davis, Esq. near the corner of Tradd Street, on East-Bay, This Morning, precisely at half past eight o'clock. (Tuesday, August 5, 1817.)

Died, in East Greenwich, R. I. on the 21st ult. Mrs. Mary M. Greene, in the 43d year of her age; wife of the Hon. Ray Greene, and daughter of George Flagg, esq. of this city. (Wednesday, August 6, 1817.)

Died on the 4th instant, after a few days illness, Mr. Howard Mitchelson, aged about 33 years. Mr. M. was a native of Sunsbury, Conn. and received his education at Yale College, where he graduated with credit. He afterwards studied, and for some years practiced the Medical profession in New Haven. . . .

Died, on the 5th inst. Mr. John C. Waldo, in the 24th year of his age, a native of Dalton, Mass.

Died, on the 29th ult. Mr. Lewis M'Coy, in the 38th year of his age, a native of this State. Mr. M'Coy lately emigrated to this city from Augusta . . . and for some months kept the Franklin Hotel. He has left a widow and five young children to bemoan their early bereavement.

Died, on the 1st inst. Mr. William Porter, in the 54th year of his age. He was a native of Londonderry, Penn. but for thirty years past a respectable inhabitant of this city.

Died, on the 2nd of July, at Cape Henry, Hayti, the Prince of Hayti, in the 40th year of his age.

The Friends and Acquaintances of the late Francis Walsh, Esq. of Kingstree, South Carolina, are requested to attend his Funeral from the house, No. 54 East Bay, corner of Elliot-street at 8 o'clock This Afternoon. (Thursday, August 7, 1817.)

*(To be continued)*

## THE JOURNAL OF JOHN BLAKE WHITE

Edited by PAUL R. WEIDNER

(Continued from April)

### VI

On the 8th of November, Monday, I started for Jacksonborough—stayed, as usual at the plantation of Coln. W. B. Mitchell. On the 9th from the indisposition of Judge Brevard, Court did not sit; but 2 days spent in business. Returned on Saturday. Having left Eliza just recovering from the Meazles, was happy in finding her much better. Mr. W. A. Bull went & returned with me. Returning, I met Coln. Mitchell, & I found it necessary to return to his house on business relating to the Quarter Master's department. On Monday 16th Nov. Capt. Kennedy & I returned to Coln. M—'s house. I carried Edward with me: on tuesday we dispatched our business. Edward was taken at night with the measles & was very sick. I thought it prudent to return to town, on Wednesday, though it was a wet cold day. We rode 33 miles, & I was happy to find that Edw. sustained no injury. I found all my other darling children down with the same disease, which, thank God, they have passed through with safety. While I was away Sister Brickell came to town, remained but two days, & returned before I got back.

A few days before Christmas Eliza, the Children, Maria Belin, & myself went into the Country to Dr. Brickell's to spend the holidays, according to our usage. Besides the Drs. family, we met Sarah & sister Mary<sup>1</sup> there from Columbia. Major Faust joined us. Mr. & Mrs. Logan also & My Friend Benjn. Johnson, added to the party, & we past some days in the greatest happiness. The whole of our family went together & the days glided away in mirth & merryment. At length the day for separating arrived. On the first of Jany. the Major & Sarah set out for Columbia; our little son Allston though prevailed upon to set out with them, could not be prevailed upon to continue & to our surprise, before he had gone many miles, was sent back. We, with Johnson & James & Maria Belin came to town on the 2nd Jany. I found much business to be attended to in the Quarter Master Genls. Deptnt.

1814. About the beginning of Feby. sister Brickell & Henry, accompanied Mrs. Logan from the country. Sister has spent a few weeks with

<sup>1</sup> Mary Susannah White, born July 1, 1775. Webber, "Records from the Blake and White Bibles," *This Magazine*, XXXVI (1935), p. 19. Her death at Columbia, on July 1, 1817, is recorded later in White's Journal.

us. Dr. Brickell & sister Mary came down unexpectedly. The Dr. passed a few days with us. They returned with Mrs. Marshall. Sister Mary spent some weeks with us.

To my great grief & mortification my Brother James, declares his determination of relinquishing the study of the Law, & of entering the army. He only waits for a commission. I have remonstrated with him, & have done all in my power to demonstrate the impropriety of doing so, before he has acquired a profession as a resource after the War. But in vain. God grant he may not sadly experience the propriety & justice of my objections.

*March 10th.* Availing myself of the invitation from the Columbian Society of Artists, established at Philadelphia, to Artists, Amateurs &c. desirous of exhibiting their works, I this day send on two pictures of Indian Massacres. I inclose them to Robt. Mills Esqr., Secretary of the Society, for exhibition the 9th of May next. I send them by some passenger in the Stage, our water communication being now cut off by the Embargo.

*March.* On the 12th went to Camp Alston, for the purpose of receiving & accommodating the new detachment of Militia, commanded by Coln. Tucker, from the back country. In comp[an]y with Coln. Mitchell, put up at the Quarters of Coln. Youngblood. After performing all necessary arrangements, returned to town on the 17th.<sup>2</sup>

April 1814. On my return from my circuit to Jacksonborough, I found Major Faust & Sarah in town. They spend a week with us: Eliza and I determine to visit Columbia with them. Miss Leonora D[i]nkins of Columbia came & remained with us. We take Adeline with us, & leave the other children in town with sister Mary. We design to start tomorrow 25 April.

We sat out as designed for Columbia. Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Mitchell accompanied us as far as Dr. Brickell's. We spent one day there. Sister B--- was indisposed. The day after we proceeded on our journey; arrived after dark at Mr. --- Richardson's where we were very politely received & entertained by himself & his lady,<sup>2a</sup> 45 miles farther. The next morning we left his house early, passed by McCord's ferry & arrived without any accident, except being overturned in our Chaize just as we were entering Columbia. Here we spent seven days in the most agreeable manner. We had the satisfaction to find Sarah happily situated with one of the best of

<sup>2</sup> Though he must have been present, White is curiously silent concerning the disturbances which followed Col. Starling Tucker's arrival at Camp Allston. They were so serious, however, that they led to Col. Tucker's arrest and courtmartial. See J. B. O'Neill, *Biographical Sketches of the Bench and Bar of South Carolina*, 1859, Vol. II, pp. 68-73.

<sup>2a</sup> Probably Colonel Edward Richardson, of St. Matthew's, and his wife Elizabeth (Turquand) Richardson. Editor.

men. On Friday the 6th May we set out on our return, passed by Dr. Brickell's, found them well, returned to town & had the happiness to meet our dear Children with sister Mary (in whose charge we left them) in perfect health. The joy of the dear little creatures to meet us was unbounded. We arrived on Sunday 8th May.

November 24th 1814. Go to Columbia as Candidate for Secy. of State. Take with me Edward & Allston.

1815

18th Feby. 1815. The case v. C. E. Rowand & John & James Summers was tried this term. The cause occupied 5 days. The Jury gave me a Verdt of \$1700. which I appropriated by giving one half to the Philosophical Society, & the other to [the] Ladies Benevolent Society—gratitude to my Friends K. L. Simons & J. S. Richardson. On this day Sister Brickell came to town, with William who commences to study Law in my office.

25. Dr. Brickell came to town, left it the 2nd March. I owe a lasting debt of gratitude to my Friends.<sup>3</sup>

4. March. Last night delivered my oration before the 76 Association, on the adoption of the Federal Constitution.<sup>4</sup> Delivered it at the French Church, or 3rd Episcopal, at the Corner Queen & Church St. All my family were present. In the evening, partook of a Supper at Simons. I had Edward with me.

April 2nd. My Sister Sarah Faust has a son born, whom they name Augustus White: My Sister Brickell & Mrs. Logan go to Columbia, & are with Sarah during her confinement.

May 6th Dr. Brickell Sister B & Henry in town to reestablish the health of the latter.

This day about 12 or one o'clock while attending at the Constitutional Court was alarmed by the fire of a Pistol. On rushing out, found that Dr. Ramsay had been shot in the Street near St. Philips Church by a certain maniac Linen. Monday 8th. This morning the Dr. Departed this life.<sup>5</sup>

A few days since Augustus Devilliers was killed by his Brother in the Streets, by the point of an umbrella.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>3</sup> In the manuscript this sentence shows evidence of attempts at erasure.

<sup>4</sup> The address was published "at the request of the Society." It was a pamphlet of twenty pages, printed at the office of the *Southern Patriot*, 1815.

<sup>5</sup> A somewhat more detailed account of Dr. Ramsay's violent death is given in the "Biographical Memoir" of Ramsay's *History of the United States . . .*, 3 vols., Philadelphia, 1818; Vol. I, pp. 25-27. Cf. the Charleston *City Gazette* for Monday, May 8, 1815.

<sup>6</sup> Augustus Devilliers was a bookseller. His death occurred Saturday, May 6, 1815. The Charleston *Courier*, May 9, 1815.

2 October 1815. The summer, during intervals of business, I have passed in painting. I painted the Portraits of Mr. Keating Simons, which I presented his Son, as a token of gratitude & friendship; also the portrait Mr. Josiah Smith, with several others.

In the early part of Sept. was attacked with a severe Bilious fever.

Commenced this summer to teach my dear little pupils Edward & Adeline the french tongue—Dufiefs Nature displayed.

Oct. 18th. This day died our excellend Friend Mrs. Elizabeth Bradley, after a lingering illness.<sup>7</sup> She died of a Dropsey in the Chest.

Nov. 29th. This evening out Friend Dr. James B. Hill, was married to Miss Mary E. Wyatt, daughter of Peter Wyatt, Esq.<sup>8</sup> Dr. Hill is the nephew of our invaluable friend Dr. James Brickell. Eliza, James, William, Adeline & self were present.

Dec. 1st. Dr. Brickell came to town—spends several days.

7th. Sarah also comes to town & brings her little Boy, Augustus—spends several days.

*Jany. 1st. 1816.* Returned last night with Edwd. & Allston from Chapel Hill,<sup>8a</sup> where we all met & spent a happy & merry Xmass. Faust & family, Dr. Hill & his Wife, Mr. Benety (a spanish Gentleman), with my own family, Dr. B—s & sister Mary, formed a happy group. Our dear children, were with us to partake of the happiness.

Jany. 4th. This day my Brother was admitted to the Bar:

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29th. James my brother, & my nephew Wm. Brickell came to town; James informed me of his having determined to practice Law in the Country at Camden<sup>9</sup> & of his having entered into Copartnership with Mr. Stark. Henry comes to go to school. My dear children Edward & Adeline commence the french Language with Mr. Le Barbeu: Feby. 1st 1816.

Feby. 2nd. Henry Brickell this day begins his quarter in the Grammar School of Messrs. Lamb & O'Donnavan at \$15 pr. quarter.

April 10th. Returned from Jacksonborough Court; on the 11th attended Esther Deliesseline's Wedding, who was then married to Octavius

<sup>7</sup> Funeral notice, the Charleston *Courier*, October 20, 1815.

<sup>8</sup> Dr. James B. Hill was born October, 1789, and died August, 1819. Webber, *op. cit.*, XXXVI (1935), p. 42.

<sup>8a</sup> A Chapel Hill plantation was located on the Nelson's Ferry Road near Forty-five Mile Tavern, St. John's Berkeley. Editor.

<sup>9</sup> After the words "in the Country" are inserted the words "at Camden." This is in turn followed by an asterisk and a hand, in pencil, as a reference sign for the word "Orangeburg," written above in a blank space. James White's copartner was probably Robert Stark (1762-1830), who was admitted to the bar, Orangeburg, in 1787, and who was solicitor of the Southern Circuit from 1806 to 1820. O'Neill, *op. cit.*, vol. II, pp. 66-73.

Cripps.<sup>10</sup> Sister Mary left town the 15th for Dr. Brickell's; on her way up, stopped at Mr. Trescots. On the 17th we gave a Ball in compliment to Esther. Before I went to Jacksonborough, attended Phoyal's<sup>11</sup> public Ball, where we had the pleasure to see our dear Children Edward and Adeline perform with a numerous collection of other children. This took place at the Theatre.

May 6th. This morning my dear Eliza, with our Children, accompanied by my nephew Wm. Brickell set sail in the schooner Industry for Georgetown. Eliza has never visited her Brother & friends in Georgetown since her marriage now going on 12 years. How greatly do I miss the society & prattle of my dear Children! May Heaven restore them all in safety to me again. I w[oul]d have accompanied them on this excursion, but the Courts are now sitting, which require my attention. My nephew Henry Brickell, being now at school, is alone with me.

29th May. Recd. a letter from my Brother James, informing me of his success in obtaining the consent of Miss Mary Dupré to marry. The pleasure I experience is not less than can be his, from a connexion from which he may anticipate so much happiness.

My solitude is in some degree diminished, by the arrival of my Brother & sister Dr. & Mrs. Brickell, who pass several days with me.

The summer is passed in my usual amusement of painting &c. I paint the Battle of New Orleans. Offer it for exhibition, but no interest is excited in the public mind.<sup>12</sup>

In Octr. William Brickell & myself are charged with being the authors of certain anonymous pieces "*Monitor*" published, relative to an election for Member of Congress. The pieces advocated the election of Mr. [Henry] Middleton; & deprecated the pretensions of Dr. Philp. Moser. The Dr., Coln. Geddes & Mr. Lance called upon us—a ludicrous scene—Dr. Moser prosecutes us for a Libel.<sup>13</sup>

Nov. 1st. Genl. Faust & my sister Sarah come to town. On the 4th I set out for Jacksonborough to attend the Court there. On my return, William leaves town, in a new gig, horses &c. &c., for Chapel hill, thence to Waccamaw, on a *Courting Expedition*. Nov. 17.

A few days before Christmas, Eliza & self with Children, accompanied

<sup>10</sup> See Part V of White's Journal, *This Magazine*, XLIII (1942), Note 25, p. 116.

<sup>11</sup> The correct spelling of this name is "Fayolle." In the Charleston *City Gazette* for March 27, 1816, Mr. P. Fayolle announces that his Annual Ball (the one referred to here) will take place on March 28.

<sup>12</sup> A lengthy description of this picture is to be found in the Charleston *Southern Patriot* for August 12, 1816.

<sup>13</sup> A sample of the "Monitor" articles is contained in the Charleston *Southern Patriot*, September 26, 1816. The articles were vigorously answered by correspondents signing themselves "Uncle Isaac" and "Mentor," at various times during the same month.

by Mrs. Belin & her two daughters Esther & Margaret, also Sarah Allston (daughter of J. W. Allston)<sup>14</sup> started for Chapel Hill, where we spent a delightful holiday. We there met Genl. Faust, Sarah & sister Mary, also William, (who had returned from Waccamaw a few days before our arrival). Mrs. Belin proceeded to G. Town, & we returned on the second of Jany. 1817 to Charleston, Faust, Sarah & their little Boy Augustus, left us the last day of the old year. On the 8th Jany. 1817 William Brickell, who studied with me, applied, & was admitted to practice Law in the Court of Com: pleas.

On the 14th Jany. James White comes to town from Santee, where he had been spending some time at Coln. Warren's<sup>15</sup> in the company with Mary Dupré his intended.

On the 16th James & Wm. set out for Chapel Hill. Henry comes to town to go to school; he commences with Mr. Hurlbert, on Friday the 17th Jany. 1817.

Jany. 20th 1817.

This day I put Edward to Mr. Hurlbert to school—The first public school to which he ever went. May God prosper his early essay!

March 28th. This is the Anniversary of our Wedding day. James & William came to town yesterday evening. Miss Leonora Dinkins is with us. The day has been passed in happiness with our friends & dear children around us.

Mary 3rd. Edward & Henry return from Chapel Hill, where they have been to spend their easter holidays.

My Brother James is in town making preparations for his nuptials. His intended wife, Mary Dupré, & her sister Rebecka with Miss Perdro<sup>16</sup> are in town also. The 15th Inst. is the time appointed for their union.

Mary Dupré is the daughter of [Samuel] Dupré & [Mary Stead] Allston, (sister of Benjn. Allston Senr. of Waccamaw) my wifes Aunt.<sup>17</sup> Their

<sup>14</sup> There seem to be no records of a Sarah Allston as daughter of J. W. Allston. Incidental (though very brief) information concerning Mrs. Belin and her family is contained in *Reminiscences of William Hasell Wilson*, edited by Elizabeth B. Pharo, Philadelphia, 1937, pp. 27-28.

<sup>15</sup> Col. Samuel Warren of Echaw (d. 1841). White painted his portrait, which was eventually presented to the Senate of South Carolina, where Col. Warren once served as president. See this *Magazine*, VII (1906), p. 100.

<sup>16</sup> The name "Perdriau" or "Perdreau" occurs frequently in the extant Georgetown records of the period, but the identity of this Miss Perdriau is very uncertain.

<sup>17</sup> Mary Dupré was born October 16, 1798. Webber, *op. cit.*, XXXVI (1935), p. 45; J. A. Groves, *The Alstons and Allstons of North and South Carolina*, Atlanta, 1901 p. 47.

Benjamin Allston was the seventh son of Josias Allston, and hence the half-brother of Mrs. John Blake White's father, Francis Allston.

father & mother having died when they were children Coln. Saml. Warren, their Extr. & Guardian, educated & brought them up well, that now they reflect honor on one another, & afford each other mutual happiness & comfort. With a handsome property, my Brother by this union, will acquire a most amiable wife.

May 19th:—Returned last night from Santee from the place of Coln. Warren, called Echau. On the 15th witnessed the nuptials of my Brother, to Mary Elizabeth Dupré. They were married by the Revd. Mr. Fraser. Eliza, Esther Cripps & Mr. Cripps, Adeline, & William Brickell, were present; likewise Sarah Allston, of our party from Charleston. We returned late on the 18th Inst. On leaving Town, we left Edward, Allston & Alonzo, also Henry B—— in charge of Mrs. Belin.

June: Mrs. Belin & family sail in the Rising States for New York.

23rd. My Brother & his wife come to town & spend a few days with us. Eliza is much indisposed. I resolve on sending Adeline to Mrs. Talvand's school. She will commence on the 1st of July 1817.

27th June. My Brother & wife leave us for his plantation, Sandridge, St. James.

July 26. Early in June Eliza is taken with a severe indisposition. We remove to Sullivants Island, but find no relief. She becomes very ill, & continues so until this period. Dr. Priolau attends her. I call in my Friend Dr. O'Driscoll. *On the first of July my dear sister Mary, departed this life.* She died of a pulmonary consumption, at Columbia at the residence of Genl. Faust.

August 14th. A few days ago a misunderstanding arose between my Friend Dennis O'Driscoll<sup>18</sup> & Mr. John E. Edwards. The former posted. It leads to a Duel. They set out for the State of Georgia. This event added to my present unhappiness on acc[oun]t of the illness of my dear Eliza, renders my situation agonizing. Dr. O'Driscoll having been called in as consulting Physician with Dr. Priolau, his efforts are relaxed in consequence of the state of his mind. Tomorrow morning at 5 o'clock decides the fate of the combat. Augt. 21. Yesterday the melancholy acco[un]t of the death of my much valued Friend O'Driscoll arrived. The duel was fought on sunday 17th. Both parties fell. Dennis expired on the 18th. Edward's wound is supposed not to be mortal. The grief of his family beggars all conception. In this event almost every tender tie of humanity is violated. He leaves an aged Father & Mother, a wife & three sisters to deplore his fall—such are the fatal effects of this hateful

<sup>18</sup> The Charleston *Courier*, August 21, 1817. For still another account of the duel, see Webber, *op. cit.*, XXXVI (1935), p. 46. Dennis O'Driscoll, the son of Dr. Matthew O'Driscoll, was born February 1, 1794. He was the brother of Ann Rachel O'Driscoll, John Blake White's second wife.

practice of Duelling. My dear Eliza is still very ill. My nephew William leaves town this morning at the solicitation of his father who is alarmed at the return of the Yellow fever to our City.

*Monday morning Septr. 8th. 1817.*

The event which of all others I most dreaded, has at length burst upon me, & overwhelmed me with as much affliction as ever befel any man. After a long illness of upwards of three months, which my beloved Eliza bore with the most exemplary fortitude, her nature at length yielded, and on *Wednesday, the third inst.* about six o'clock in the evening, she expired in my arms, while I kneeled at her bed side. My dear little weeping children, with many friends were around her, & witnessed the last sigh, which escaped the lips of all I held most precious on earth. Great God! what were my agonies!—my pen upon this sacred subject must cease to attempt the task! Adieu, my beloved Eliza, Adieu—were the only words I could utter. She appeared to have recollection to the last & to the last moment, received for my sake the moistening drops to her lips. Pain had subsided sometime before the event of her death and she had only to sink gradually into eternal rest.

When this event first happened, the agony of my mind was inexpressible. I looked around, but saw no source of consolation. My children gave me no comfort; they only heightened my despair. Religion was no resource, I had not sufficiently cultivated it to experience its benefits. My whole mind turned upon the abstract loss which I had suffered. I endured the agonies of despair! There were however some few scattered seeds of piety, which it had pleased Heaven to preserve in my bosom through the long winter of indolence, which had almost frozen my soul; & which springing up, at this time of need, yielded me a supply of fruit, which I trust in God Almighty, may save both me & mine from the famine of Impiety! I betook myself to fervent prayer. I resorted to that most excellent collection of pious reflections, which I have so long seen in the hands of my beloved Eliza, "*The New Manual of Devotion.*" I cast my whole heart into its sacred pages, where hers had so often been, without me, as her companion, & it pleased God, perhaps for her precious sake, to hear me. It is the first time that I ever derived consolation from such a source, because, no doubt, the inmost recesses of my heart, have never till now, been laid open by any blow from Heaven. It has been now. The skillful surgeon, to preserve life, will not scruple to amputate the choicest member of the body. My Friend Mr. Gibbes, also sent me "*Dodds comfort for the afflicted,*" from which I have taken more consolation than I conceived it possible to derive from any book. When I seriously reflect upon all things & honestly review the tenor of my life, when I consider the careless,

nay [the] profane & wicked life I lead, I cannot but think that my beloved Eliza was taken away for my salvation, and I trust for that of my whole family. She was virtuous & pious, & had I strengthned, encouraged & supported her, by my precepts & example in piety & religion, the sun would never have shed his rays upon a more perfect moral being. For this I now deeply reproach myself. Still it was fit that she should go before me. I feel the full force of the reflection offered me by my Adeline, by way of consolation. "My Mother," s[ai]d she, "was the only one of us, fit to die. If you had died, Father, you would have been lost. Mother has said so. Besides your death first would have broke my dear Mother's heart, she would not have borne your death. She was prepared to die, & is now in Heaven. Let us imitate her example & we will follow her there." Yes my dear little creature, I feel the truth of the remark. I hope that by a steady perseverance in the path, which I have designed in future for myself & household, to fulfil all those duties, which I know would have been so conformable to the will & pleasure of my dear Eliza, were she on Earth with me. It is in vain to say I might have done so had she lived. I believe honestly I would not. I might have thought reformation necessary, but I would have put off the day of reformation. I was too happy to think of correcting my tranquil heart. I hope God may be pleased to strengthen & confirm my present resolutions. I hope they are not made merely for the occasion. I have been too long, as my dear Eliza has often told me, without God in the world. Yesterday was Sunday. I performed every duty which I believed my Eliza would have had me perform. I can with truth say, it was the happiest, & most comfortable Sabbath, that I ever passed in my life. May it please God to sanctify this heavy affliction to me and mine! I will embalm the memory of my Eliza within my heart, & be grateful to God, that the love & affection she bore me while on earth, now exists towards me, within an Angel's bosom! Everything around me reminds me of her. Everything she used to do or say is now strong within my memory. She loved me with as much constancy and tenderness, as ever woman loved. Her love was exalted, tender, & refined. I loved her!—Yes—in my soul I loved her! I trust that in the course of *Twelve years, five months & fourteen days* that she was my wife, that I have given her abundant proofs of my affection towards her. During that time, we have seen many trials & pleasures. We have broken the dry bread of poverty and we have been regaled from our plentiful board. We have had many hardships and vexations abroad, but we have ever been happy at home. The sun never went down in all that time, upon our displeasure with each other, at any little occurence of life. Ever mild & amiable in her manners, she attracted the love of all who knew her. Though always lovely, the full excellency of her character, never completely displayed

itself, until she became the Mother, when her whole time, care & attention was devoted to the care & improvement of her children's minds. Her whole ambition was to make my home happy. She sighed after no pleasures abroad. At home, she reigned sovereign of every heart that knew the felicity of her controul. When I have been called abroad by business how anxiously have I sighed for my return home—no child more, for its mother's bosom. Hastening home, I have never failed to find her at her station, by the comfortable fireside, or at her little work table, diligently employed in some useful occupation, & surrounded by our lovely little children, who were the pride of her heart, and the boast of her soul.

The 2nd day of September was my birthday. I only remembered it lately. The day before my Eliza's deth I had just completed the 36th year of my age. She was born on the 8th of January 1779, & was aged 38 years 7 months and 26 days. She was interred on the 4th of Septr. at St. Philips church yard, in my family burying ground.

Nothing is so delightful to my mind as to review the years which I have passed so exquisitely happy with my beloved Eliza. Certainly, more true substantial, rational felicity never fell to the lot of any man. Never was there a woman of more happy temper, & with all, a more correct & chastened judgment. Nothing self willed or obstinate in her disposition, it was ever my delight to gratify her in all her views for I never found them extravagant, unreasonable or inconsistent with time, place or opportunity. O that it had pleased God to have spared her but some few years longer that I might have seen in my Adeline, & in all my children veresimilitudes of her character. But as it has so pleased the all wise Ruler of the universe to deprive me of my precious Eliza, I must endeavor alone to perform the task, which I had ever hoped, she would always have shared with me.

Septr. 10th. Yesterday my dear Adeline brought me certain letters, which I had written to my beloved Eliza, last year, when after a long absence of upwards of eleven years she had made [a visit] to her friends & relatives at Georgetown & Waccamaw. These letters my dear Eliza had carefully preserved, and I am glad she did so. Nothing could have given me more delight than the perusal of them. They convince me, more and more how deeply my affections were seated, and with what true, proper & becoming delight, I was wont to dwell upon her virtues. She gave them before her death to my little Adeline enjoining her to keep them as long as she lived. I then recurred to the letters which dear Eliza wrote me, during this separation, which gave me equal delight, to peruse those sentiments so aptly corresponding with my own & which charmed me with the assurance of her exalted & refined love for me. These letters I also have given to Adeline, with a like injunction.

Septr. 22nd. Yesterday died Mr. Thos. Mellichamp, a gentleman whom

I have long known & entertained a friendship for.<sup>19</sup> He died at Dr. O'Driscolls. He had been second of my Friend O'Driscoll, & after the duel, came on here, laboring under a Dyssentary, of which he died. He was a young man of about seven or eight & twenty. He was taken home & nursed by the family of Dr. O'D. who found some resource in the task from their deep grief, but his death, has torn open afresh, their heartfelt wounds.

This fatal duel has given rise to other melancholy events. Young Graves, a youth of about 18, in company with a Mr. Edwards, a cousin of the one who fought, Mr. Gaillard, (Edwards second) & some other young men, were shortly after the parties had returned to town, about a fortnight ago, practising to shoot. It was with the same pistols. Gaillard & Edwards were doing something to the hair trigger of the pistol, when it went off & struck Graves in the head, which killed him on the spot. He left a Father & Mother with other relatives to deplore his untimely end.<sup>20</sup>

The Yellow fever continues to rage with unabated fury. The old & the young fall indiscriminately about us. Strangers stand no chance of safety, & our Native Children equally fall victims to it. The Revd. Bishop Dehon died of this disease the 6th Octr.<sup>21</sup> & today Dr. McBride,<sup>22</sup> an eminent physician, of our city, fell a sacrifice to its indiscriminate fury.

November 16th 1817. Tomorrow I start for Jacksonborough. It is for the first time that I part with my dear little children, since I have parted with my beloved Eliza! What melancholy sensations oppress me! The last time I went away, I left my children under the protection of a Mother, most tender & affectionate; now I leave them—perhaps forever—I leave them in the hands of a good & Merciful God. I have been expecting my sisters Brickell & Faust to stay with them during my absence; but not having Frost, I request them to defer their visit. I leave Adeline & Alonzo with my Friends Crips, Edward & Allston with their Uncle Deliesseline. May God of his infinite Mercy preserve & keep them & me in perfect health & safety, & restore us to each other at the appointed period.

Nov. 23. Returned yesterday evening from Jacksonborough. While there staid at Dr. Evans', the brother of the wife of my deceased Friend O'Driscoll. I found my dear children all well. My sisters Mrs Brickell & Faust were with them. They at last ventured, having had a frost on tuesday night last the 19th Inst. Wm. Brickell returned to town about 1st Decr.

<sup>19</sup> The Charleston *City Gazette*, September 25, 1817.

<sup>20</sup> The victim was Charles Graves, Jr. The Charleston *Courier*, September 11, 1817.

<sup>21</sup> White's date here is an error. Bishop Theodore Dehon died August 6.

<sup>22</sup> Funeral notice, the Charleston *Times*, Monday, September 22, 1817.

Deer. 6th. My sons Edward & Allston go into the Country. 9th. Sister B, William, Adeline, & Alonzo start for [the] Country. My brother James comes to town. We depart, with my sister Sarah for St. James 11th Inst.; thence to go to Chapel Hill.

Jany. 4th 1818. Having spent a week with my Brother at his plantation, we went on to Chapel Hill, where we found all well. My dear children overjoyed to see me. Genl. Faust, my Brother James & his wife joined us a few days before Christmas. I returned to town, with Edward & Adeline on the 2nd Jany. We travelled the road which leads over Spring & Gordon's ferry; met Mr. Trezevant & his sister there, returning to town from Columbia. The children recommence school tomorrow the 5th Instant—the one at Mr Hurlburt's the other at Mrs Talvands.

March 9th 1818. Some days ago, Genl. Faust came to town (having made arrangements to do business with Mr Antonio of Columbia to enter into the Grocery line. This day I set out for Chapel Hill, & probably will proceed on with Faust to Columbia. I take Edward & Adeline with me. I leave Faust, who is to come after me on Wednesday the 11st Inst.

April 9th. Edward, Adeline & self returned to town on this day. Since our departure we visited Chapel Hill, where after some months I once more embraced my dear little Allston & Alonzo. Left Edward there. Went on with Faust & Mr. Antonio to Columbia; passed a fortnight there with my dear Sister, Sarah, & the agreeable society of that place. Returned to Chapel Hill; on way back, called in at Coln. Richardson's. After a few days spent at Dr. B—s with sister B. the Dr. & my children, return to town.

April 11. Start tomorrow morning for Jacksonboro. Leave Edward & Adeline with Mrs. Cripes. Return the 16th. Set out the 19th for Georgetown; called in at Sandridge, my Brother's place; found him & Mary well; spent a day. Black frost that night—the 21st. Went to Georgetown. Dr. Allston & family at Pee Dee. Invited to Mrs. Pyatts,<sup>22</sup> where we remained till day after, when Dr. A. & family arrived. My pain at visiting G. Town great. It revived the recollection of events forever passed, & bro[ugh]t to my mind the recollection of my beloved Eliza. I seemed to behold as it were her footsteps. I beheld her in every walk. I was unable to contain my feelings at seeing the miniature I painted of her before we were married. It hangs in Dr. A's drawing room. Adeline & Edward were also much affected at beholding it. the 24th. Went to YoungVille Waccamaw to Mr. B. Allston's. We visited our friends both there & G. T. They were glad to see us, & paid us every attention; the 26th Mr. James Magill died at his house of a pulmonary complaint. Visited Mr. B. Huger,

<sup>22</sup> Possibly the mother-in-law of Dr. William Allston. But most of the names in this part of the Journal are given too indefinitely for more than conjectural identification.

Mr. Wm. Alston, Mrs. LaBruce, Mrs. Lance, Mrs. Blythe, Mrs. Waring, Mrs. Cogdell, Mrs. Croft. On 1st May went up the neck to Mrs. LaBruces; returned the 2nd. Dr. John Magill arrived a few days after his Brother's death.

When I came to G-Town, my Brother came with me on business & returned in two days. Left G. Town the 8th May. Called in at Jame's; spent the night & arrived in town the 10th in the evening, where I found William & Genl. Faust. All friends well, town & Country.

Monday May 11. Edward recommences school with Mr. Hurlbert. May 18th Adeline recommences with Mrs. Talvande. Genl. Faust leaves Town. To my astonishment, I learn from Wm. the base & infamous aspersions of M. Y. of our family at Columbia, disclosed to us by Miss Susan Faust. 22nd. Sister Brickell comes to town & brings me my dear little Boys Allston & Alonzo. Dr. Brickell has purchased a plantation from Mrs B<sup>—24</sup> near Columbia, nine miles beyond, price \$16000. Next winter, he removes.

July 9th 1818. Wm. B—— leaves town. Allston & Alonzo begin school with Mrs. Hamilton.

August. This month I finished a Drama entitled *The Triumph of Liberty or Louisiana Preserved*, in five acts, upon the events of New Orleans.<sup>25</sup> Recommended to offer it to the New York Theatre. Wrote on to Mr. Price of that Theatre. This day inclosed a copy to Jas. H. Caldwell Esqr. now at Fayetteville N. C. He promises to bring it forward at his Petersburg Theatre in Virginia, to be opened 1st Oct. next—29th 1818.

Oct. 16. The Election for Representatives being declared yesterday, I was returned as Elected a member of the State Legislature.

Nov. 15. Sarah, Wm., Adeline, Edward & Miss Faust leave town. Same day I start for Jacksonboro. No Court; return 17th. Leave town

<sup>24</sup> Illegible in the manuscript. The name may be Bookter.

<sup>25</sup> The play was "printed for the author" in pamphlet form by J. Hoff, Charleston, 1819. White makes note of its publication, below, under the entry of May 3, 1819. Writing of White as a dramatist, A. H. Quinn (*American Drama from the Beginning to the Civil War*, 1923, pp. 188-190) says, "White's one play that was based on native feeling, *The Triumph of Liberty* (1819) seems not to have survived"; suggesting that no copy is extant. But Oscar Wegelin, *Early American Plays, 1714-1830*, New York, 1900, p. 98, lists it correctly; and there is a copy of the play in the collection of the College of Charleston (Bound Pamphlets 040, No. 174).

White wrote at least one more play, a blank verse tragedy in five acts, to which he gave the title *The Forgers* and which he published serially in the *Southern Literary Journal*, New Series, Vol. I (April-August), 1837. An early draft of the play exists in manuscript in the South Carolina Historical Society collection. It bears the title *Mordaunt, or the Victim of Intemperance*, and is dated 1829. Folded into the manuscript is a letter, dated from Columbia, South Carolina, August 16, 1830, which indicates that White submitted the play to his friend [Edward?] Dana, of Boston, for criticism.

with Faust for Columbia. Pass two days at Chapel Hill. Proceed to Columbia. The Session over, set out with Sarah to Mr. Howels, about nine miles; pass the Christmas there. Sarah, Faust, Coln. Chappell & Lady, Mr. & Mrs. Guiray, Mrs. Howell, her niece Eliza Goodwin. Day after Xmass s[et] out for Chapel Hill. Pass two days there for the last time. Go to St. James'—a Ball at Coln. Warrens; the 4th of Jany. 1819 come to town bringing Edward & Adeline. They begin school on the 6th of January.

Feby. 3rd. Sister B—— after a fortnight in town with me started, for the Country. They leave Chapel Hill for Columbia.

My Brother James' first child a daughter was born 24 Jany. 1819, & died shortly after.

Feby. 5th. This day I formed a Copartnership in the practice of the Law with Francis A Deliesseline Esqr.<sup>26</sup>

6th March. Go to Geo. Town about the business of the Estate of Croft. Adeline with me. Call at James'. Mary find very sick. Lose my horse in N. Santee river, after crossing; chair baggage & all go to bottom, we narrowly escaping with our lives. Invited to Miss Lynche's. Next day she lent us horses. Other horse nearly lost. Arrived in G. Town. Settled with [word illegible]. Went to Waccamaw & spent a few days with Uncle Ben Allston. Left Adeline. Came to town, arrived the 12th. Tuhey's escape made great excitement in the City.<sup>27</sup> April 26th Mr. Munro the President of the U. States visits Charleston. He is recd. with very great splendor. I dine in his company at Govr. Geddes, & am introduced to him there. Also meet Genl. Gaines<sup>28</sup> there. On the 1st May the President gives an Entertainment; am also present; 155 persons set down to dinner; a week of discipation. See a great many make fools of themselves, & a great many made fools of.

This day May 3. I publish my play "*The Triumph of Liberty, or Louisiana Preserved.*"

May 14th. Allston & Alonzo arrive from Columbia, well & much grown. William comes with them. 17th. they go to school to Mrs. Hamilton.

Adeline returned from Waccamaw with her Uncle Mr. Benjn. Allston, & the Miss Gadsdens. May 20th Edward came with his Uncle James & William Brickell from St. James 24th. Began school this 24th May.

#### The End

<sup>26</sup> Francis A. Deliesseline was probably the brother of Esther Deliesseline (Cripps). Cf. Groves, *op. cit.*, p. 45.

<sup>27</sup> Martin Toohey had been convicted of the murder of James Gadsden. White has not overstated the excitement caused by Toohey's break from Charleston jail. Cf. the Charleston *Courier*, March 18 and 19, 1819.

<sup>28</sup> This was Major-General Edmund P. Gaines (1777-1849).

ABSTRACTS FROM RECORDS OF COURT OF ORDINARY,  
1764-1771

Contributed by ELIZABETH H. JERVEY

(Continued from April)

Citation granted to Jean White to administer on the Estate and Effects of John Ploughman while late of Hornes Creek in prince Wms Parish Planter as nearest of Kin To be read in the parish Chh of Prince Wms and returned Certified granted July 3 1770.

Letters testamentary granted to Jacob Geiger Senr Executor.

Dedimus to Stephen Bull of Sheldon to qualify Catherine Dunnom admx of the Estate of Jacob Dunnom.

Dedimus Cantzon to prove the will and qualify the Exors of the last will of John Robinson late of Williamsburg granted 4th July 1770.

James Parsons as Testamentary Guardian of Mary Roche a minor Daughter of Francis Roche Esqr deceased enters a Caveat against a License being granted to join the said Mary in the State of Matrimony with any person until he shall be heard by his honour the Govr in the Court of ordinary 11th July 1770 Jas Parsons

I withdraw this Caveat 8 Sepr 1770 Jas Parsons.

Citation granted to George Ancrum Merchant in Charles Town to administer on the Estate and Effects of Robert Nugent late of this Province Pedlar as principal Creditor To be read in St philips parish and returned Cerified granted 13th July 1770.

13th July 1770 In the Court of ordinary The Citation of William Norman to administer on the Estate and Effects of Ann Linus wth the will annexed was read and Letters granted to the sd Wm Norman to administer on the sd Ann Linus's Estate with the will annexed.

The last Will and testament and two Codicils of Jacob Motte's sd will were proved by Jacob Motte Esqr Junr who qualified Executor.

The Citation of Andrew Stewart to adminr on the Estate and Effects of James McLaren late of St Bartholomew parish Plantar also the affidavits

of Williams and Patrick Blind concerning the sd McLarens disposal of his Estate where upon His Honour orderd this day fortnight for hearing and determining the same and ordered the Secretary to acquaint the different parties of the same.

The Govr appointed friday 29th Inst. for proving Margaret Beards last will and allowed of Solomon Freer brother in law of Wm Williams deceased to be Exor of said William Williams's last will.

The Caveat agt Geo Flagg obtaining Marriage License till Mary Bell was heard was read and as the aforesaid Mary Bell was off the Province His Honour required affidavits to be made of the same and dismissed the Caveat.

Mr. Mark Workman doth make oath and say that Mary Bell about Six weeks ago did imbark on board of the Sloop Sally Mr. Schermerhorn Master for New York as nurse to a child of Mr. John Gordons of Chas Town Mercht together with Mrs. Gordon wife of the said John Gordon that the said vessel did accordingly proceed from Chas Town aforesaid and hath since arrived at New York, and as this Deponent hath been informed and doth verily swear this 13th July 1770 before me John Troup J. P.

13th July 1770 Mr. Murray you are to discharge the Caveate entered by Mrs Bell agt a marriage License being issued to Mr Flagg and let a License issue if he desires it Wm Bull filed *among the Petitions.*

Citation granted to Doctor Nathaniel Bulline to adminr on the Estate and Effects of Doctor James Dick late of this province Physician as principal Creditor granted 13th July 1770 to be read in the Parish Chh of St Pauls and returned Certified.

I am ordered by the Governor to Acquaint you that your Caveat is to be heard this Day Fortnight you'll therefore have your witnesses ready on yt day to attend the Govr in the Court of Ordinary 13th July 1770 To Jacob Stevens Geo: Murray pro Secy.

I am ordered by the Govr to Acquaint you that your Caveat [line drawn through this word] is to be heard this Day fortnight To Andrew Stewart Geo: Murray pro secy.

I do hereby Renounce all pretensions I have to the administration of the Estate and Effects of Jacob Wirth late of Charles Town in this province

and do promise to return the Citation I had into the Secretarys Office witness my hand this 14th July 1770 Frederick Ehney.

Citation granted to Susanna Wirth to administer on the Estate and Effects of Jacob Wirth late of St Philips Parish as nearest of kin To be read in the Chh of St Philips and returned Certified granted 14th July 1770.

July 16th By virtue of a Dedimus from the Govr to prove Wills &c in his absence from Charles Town qualified Ben Hugere Executor of Jacob Mottes Will Geo Murray.

July 17th 1770 By virtue of a Dedimus to prove Wills and qualify Executors and qualify Administrators in the Govrs absence from Charles Town qualified Isaac Mazick Junr Executor of Stephen Mazycks will Geo Murray.

17th Dedimus issued to Andrew Aggnew Esqr to qualify Jean Ferris Administratrix of the Estate and Effects of James Orr late of Saint Helena parish.

Dedimus issued to Andrew Aggnew Esqr to qualify Jean Ferris administratrix of the Estate and Effects of Mary Orr late of ——

July 20th By virtue of a Dedimus from The Honble William Bull Esqr Lieutenant Governor &c to prove wills and qualify admors in his absence from Chas Town The last will and Testament of Sarah Amory late of Ashley River was proved by George Cousins and [“William Amory qualified Exo” scratched out] no Executor qualified.

Same Day the Citation of Susanna Wirth was read and as Frederick Ehney had renounced any pretension he had to the Estate and Effects of Jacob Wirth deceased Letters of administration were granted to Susanna Wirth who qualified Administratrix of the Estate and Effects of the said Jacob Wirth deceased before Geo Murray.

Same day the last will and testament of Thomas Elliott late of St Andrews Parish was proved by Robert Ladson and Sarah Elliott the Executor was qualified before Geo Murray.

Same day the last will and testament of Isaac Brunson late of this Province was proved by James Brunson and Peter Mellet qualified Executor before Geo Murray.

Citation granted to Mary and James Ferguson of Prince W to administer on the Estate and Effects of William Ferguson late of Prince Williams Parish and returned Certified granted 24th July 1770.

In the Court of Ordinary July 23d 1770 the last will and Testament of James Yates was proved by Andrew Taylors swearing that He knew the subscription of John Taylor one of the subscribing witnesses of the sd Will—Same time John Joyner qualified Exor.

The affidavit of John Hunt Who heard read and certified by the Minister a Citation to Cite and amonish the kindred and Creditors of John Atkins late of Ashepoo to shew Cause why admon should not be granted to Isaac Lesesne, Junr was read and it appearing the Citation had been read & in the presbyterian Meeting house at Pon Pon The Parish Chh of St Bartholomew being vacant His Honour ordered Letters of admon to be granted to Isaac Lesesne, Junr.

The Caveat of Mary Todd agt Mary Pages administering on the Estate and Effects of John Rogerson late of Combahee with the will Annexed left unadministered by Ann Rogerson and John Page was heard, dismissed and Letters admon with the will annexed was ordered to the said Mary Page who for want of Security took out a Dedimus to be qualified before Stephen Bull of Sheldon.

Same day Issued a Dedimus to Stephen Bull of Sheldon to qualify Mary Page Admx of the Estate and Effects of John Rogerson with the will annexed.

Dedimus granted to John Purvis to qualify Jean White widow of John Ploughman White late of Prince Wms parish 26th July 1770.

Citation granted to Thomas Connolly to administer on the Estate and Effects of Joseph Hurshman late of Amelia Township Berkley County Planter as principal Creditor granted 28th July 1770 To be read in the nearest parish Chh and returned Certified.

In the Court of Ordinary July 27th 1770 The Caveat agt. Andw Stewarts administering on the Estate and Effects of James McLaren was sustained there being produced the nuncupative Will of the sd James McLaren which the Governor allowed to be proved Jacob Stevens the Person who entered the Caveat was desired by John vanmargenhoff to join with him but Jacob Stevens not being inclinable the sd John Margenhoff qualified Exor.

Same day Qualified Derby Pendergrass admir of the Estate and Effects of Jonathan Evans late.

Citation granted Mary Chopard widow to administer on the Estate and Effects of Daniel Chopard of St Michaels Parish Shopkeeper as nearest of kin To be read in St. Michaels parish and returned Certified—granted 31st July 1770.

Citation granted to John Remington Esqr to administer on the Estate and Effects of Sarah Amory late of Charles Town Free Trader and late of Goose Creek as principal Creditor To be read in St Philips Chh and returned Certified granted 31st July 1770 [above citation is crossed out].

August 1st 1770 By order of a Dedimus from the Lieutenant Govr to prove Wills and qualify Admrs in his absence Robert Byers qualified Executor of the last will and testament of John Robinson of the Township of Wmsburg before Geo Murray.

Citation granted to Mary Patterson of St Lukes Parish Granville County on the Estate and Effects of William Patterson late of the Parish and County aforesaid as nearest of Kin To be read in the parish Chh aforesaid or nearest place of worship and Returned Certified granted 2d August 1770.

Augt 2d. Dedimus granted to Andrew Aggnew Esqr to qualify Mary Ferguson and James Ferguson Admors of the Estate and Effects of William Ferguson late of St Helena Granville County.

friday 3d no Court of Ordinary.

Citation granted to Margaret Hogg widow of St Lukes Parish to administer on the Estate and Effects of John Hogg Senior of the parish aforesaid as nearest of Kin To be read in the parish Chh aforesaid and returned Certified granted 7th August 1770.

Tuesday Augt 7th Mr. Rutledge proctor for John Joiner named Executor moved before the Govr that the proving of Margaret Beards will should be postponed till friday the 17th Instant at which time both parties are to attend ordered accordingly.

Citation granted to Simeon Shey to administer on the Estate and Effects of Christian Shey late of St Marks Parish Craven County Black-

smith as nearest of kin and principal Creditor To be read in the parish Church aforesaid and returned Certified Granted 8th August 1770.

Citation granted to John Delahow Physician to administer on the Estate and Effects of Sarah Williams alias Woodside late of St Philips Parish as principal Creditor To be read in the Parish Chh aforesaid and returned Certified.

Dedimus granted to James Donnom Esqr to qualify the Exors of Violet Lamberts last will and Testament [The words: "granted 8th Augt 1770" marked out].

Augt 10th By virtue of a Dedimus to prove Wills and qualify Admors in the absence of The Honourable Wm Bull Esqr Lieutenant Govr George Anerum qualified Admor of the Estate and Effects of Robert Nugent late of this province pedlar also the will of John Dodd late of this province gun smith was proved by Jeremiah Theus and Doctor peter Fayssoux qualified Exor.

Same day Mary Chopard qualified Admor of the Estate and Effects of Daniel Chopard late of St Michaels Parish before Geo Murray.

Citation granted to Elizabeth Roberts widow to administer on the Estate and Effects of William Roberts Taylor of St James parish Craven County as nearest of kin To be read in the parish Chh aforesaid and returned Certified granted 14th Augt 1770.

Elizabeth Bayard enters a Caveat against the proving of Joseph Baynards Will till she is heard by her Counsel in the Court of Ordinary Elizabeth Baynard.

Citation granted to John August Finck of Prince fredericks Parish Craven County to administer on the Estate and Effects of Martha Stevens To be read in the parish Chh of Prince Frederick and returned Certified granted 16th Augt 1770.

*(To be continued)*

## JOURNAL OF GENERAL PETER HORRY

(Continued from April)

Sunday 22<sup>d</sup>} Served Allowances—Sent the flat to Dover took a Dose of Castor Oil, Expect my boat to return Tomorrow from Dover—Large Frost Last Night (but no Ice) weather continues yet Dry. My family went to the Methodist Meeting to hear M<sup>r</sup>. Asberry<sup>2</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Botsworth of the Babtist Church is Gone to Cha<sup>s</sup>.Ton. to have a Second Attropfia on his Eye. he Suffers Greatly, his Affliction nearly Equals my own—w<sup>e</sup>, however is not So long Standing as mine [56] {Sunday 22<sup>d</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>. Continued} Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith not yet returned from Ch<sup>s</sup>.Ton. I wish much for his Arrival with Answers to my two Letters wrote to Capt<sup>t</sup>. Dent & North & Webb—the Latter I hope will Send me Some money which I very much want to Enable my paying Some of my debts—I think they must be in Cash for my Last Parcell of Rice—I am told Rice yet Continues to Sell well but my Pounding Mill is not yet Ready—in one year my Stock has deminished one hundred per Cent, Overseer & Cattle Minder Certainly do not attend to their Duties—I rode out in the afternoon round the George Town Race Course. Met Rob<sup>t</sup>. Heriot Esq<sup>r</sup>. & his Lady near this Course, met in George Town near the House of M<sup>r</sup>. Waldo Lieut<sup>s</sup>. Ben. & Tom Heriot. Saw M<sup>r</sup>. Ward Contracter for our Militia Souldiers on Duty at N<sup>o</sup>. Island, Also M<sup>r</sup>. Whitehurst Taylor near our Market house, they inform me that our S<sup>d</sup>—Souldiers will in a Day or two all be discharged to their homes one Compy only Excepted w<sup>e</sup> will take Charge of Fort Winyaw for a Little time when they will be Relieved by North Caroli [57] {Sunday 22<sup>d</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>. Contn<sup>d</sup>:} Carolinians, William Shackelford Jun<sup>r</sup>. & M<sup>r</sup>. Rouse Spent the Evening with us—{Monday 23<sup>d</sup>.} I rode out & got Some Lightwood, Saw Ben: Trapier Coming to Muster—My boat Arrived abo<sup>t</sup>. 11 OClock A:M. wt. Mud for my Garden—It rained towards night & in the Night Rained & blew a Storm from the N<sup>o</sup>. West, five Pannels of my Garden Fence was found Down in the morning The Miss Bays were ALarmed & removed down Stairs—

{Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>.} Wind at S<sup>o</sup>. West—Billy & Seipio mending Garden fence & Setting down 3 new Posts, Some nails wanted & a few boards—Put near a flat Load of Mud Last Evening in the Garden—bought a Curry Comb—Rode out & Got Lightwood Mended my Curtain to my Carriage

{Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>} Wind at N<sup>o</sup>. West Cold & piercing—a frost fell last night. I Rode out & Got Wood. Cap<sup>t</sup>. Lieut<sup>t</sup>. Heriot & his Company

<sup>1</sup> November, 1812.

<sup>2</sup> Norton was scratched out and Asberry interlined above, but Bishop Asbury's journal shows that he was in Kentucky on the 22nd of November, 1812.

Left Geo. Town today for Fort Hawkins in the Creek Nation, the Militia Souldiers all Left N<sup>o</sup>. Island & went into Fort Winyaw. Saw Mr Ward [58] {Wednesday Cont<sup>d</sup>. 25<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>.} Saw Doctor Ford—Mr. Cheesborough & W<sup>m</sup>. Shackelford Jun<sup>r</sup>. Spent the Evening with us. Got a Letter from John Ioor & from Cap<sup>t</sup>. Dent, Never had I a Greater Cold—Could Get no Sleep last night—{Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>} Rose very Unwell—finished my Carriage walls w<sup>h</sup>. Homespun & blackened them, by Scipio my Painter—Rode out & Got Lightwood, passed by opposite Priors House Cap<sup>t</sup>. Gasqua's Comp<sup>y</sup> overtook a Number of Militia Souldiers on the road & found a Number of Them Encamp<sup>t</sup> in Tents near Pinckneys Turn off to his House—Saw Lieut<sup>t</sup>. Th<sup>a</sup>. Heriot in G. Town—also Francis Kinloch on the road Galloping in the Rain to his home—I rode through a Small Drissle for Several Miles before I Got home—{Friday 27<sup>th</sup>} I rose very Early & Rode out & Got a Load of Wood—Saw Militia Souldiers under Cap<sup>t</sup>. Bingham Encampment as yesterday near Pinckneys Road—<sup>3</sup> Tis Said they wait till next Monday to Receive their Pay—It has Rained all the Morning & till 12 O.Clock—

[59] {Saturday 28 Novem<sup>r</sup>.} I rode out & Got a Load of Light<sup>d</sup>. Saw Militia Camp as before mentioned, Left \$100. w<sup>h</sup>. Mr Whitehurst to Pay my acco<sup>t</sup>. of \$7½ to Mr. Joe Lessesne—Saw Major Keith & he Invited me to attend a Review this Evening near the Court House of ab<sup>t</sup>. 170 Militia Souldiers under Cap<sup>t</sup>. Bingham & Carty, (no men Remains at N<sup>o</sup> Island Cap<sup>t</sup>. Gasquas Company is Posted at Fort Winyaw till further Orders—a Party of N<sup>o</sup> Carolinians is Expected Soon to Relieve Capt<sup>t</sup>. Gasquas Company. I Saw Mr Hort at his House he Informed me he & his Lady would move from Major Murray in 10 days. that he would Buy a House adjoining Capt<sup>t</sup>. Wilson of the Cavalry. I received yesterday by Post \$300 from N & Web my Factors in Ch<sup>a</sup>. Ton—Mr. Course will Receive my Order on Mr Collins & my Factors for what I owe him. Mr. Soloman Offers me Bed Tick to Cloathe my House Servants—Mr. Cheesborough Spent the Evening w<sup>h</sup>. us. {Sunday 29} It rained hard Last Night, Wind at South very Windy but Clear Weather—[60] Sunday Continued 29} I rode out as far as M<sup>rs</sup> Martins Rod, Rain Came & I Returned. W<sup>m</sup>. Shackelford Jun<sup>r</sup> Called on us in the Evening, Cheesborough & S. Smith were with us—Also Miss Catharine Boone—{Monday 30<sup>th</sup>.} I Rode out & Got Lightwood, Wind at North East—Clear & not Cold, Saw Whitehurst he Settled w<sup>h</sup>. Joe Lessesne for me Say P<sup>d</sup> him \$7½—I Rec<sup>d</sup>. \$50 of Whitehurst I Saw M<sup>rs</sup>. Gasqua, Major Keith, Dr. Wragg & W. W. Trapier. Rec<sup>d</sup>. a Letter

<sup>3</sup> Pinckney's place was about two miles north of Georgetown, between the public road and Black River. Just above were two Kinloch plantations. It is more likely that one of those was the place several times mentioned by Gen. Horry and not the place southeast of Belle Isle plantation. (See April Magazine, p. 126.)

from Cap<sup>t</sup>. Dent. a Daughter is born to him—Saw Frank Huger & Cleland Kinloch. Th<sup>s</sup>. Heriot & M<sup>r</sup>. Cohen & Rich<sup>d</sup>—Shackelford—In the Evening I rode out & returning after dark my Mules took fright on Geo. Town bay, tore off their Traces & broke their Collars &c<sup>a</sup>—& went off. Fortunately the Carriage did not Overset, & Negroes drew it home with me therein, Neither Mules or myself were hurted—I am determined to ride no more at Night, for I risk my Life Eminently by so doing—tho my Life is of Little Value

[61] {Tuesday. 1<sup>st</sup>. December 1812.} Examined my Carriage & Tackling, the Latter found to be much Injured; Billy & Scipio. fell to Repairing the Damages, No Company Last Evening—I Saw Maj<sup>r</sup>: Keith Exercising our Militia Souldiers near the Court House—at Night two M<sup>r</sup>. Cuttinoes Spent Several Hours with us—{Wednesday 2<sup>d</sup>.} Rode out & Got Wood Saw Major Keith & Lieut<sup>t</sup>. Ford, also Whitehurst Cap<sup>t</sup>. Johnson & M<sup>r</sup>. Anderson also Lieut<sup>t</sup>.—M<sup>c</sup>Cra Rough of the Militia Camp Still as before—Most of the men however attend M<sup>r</sup>. Ward at M<sup>r</sup>. Whitehurst to Receive their pay, fine weather wind blows fresh at West Saw Lieut<sup>t</sup>. Tho<sup>s</sup>: Heriot. M<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Smith, Dr<sup>r</sup>. Futhey, M<sup>r</sup>. Phillips—Spent the Evening with us. Also M<sup>r</sup>s Croft & Miss Godfrey—{Thursday 3.} Rode out & Got Wood, Saw Lieut<sup>t</sup>. Th<sup>s</sup>. Heriot & Rob<sup>t</sup>. Heriot Esq<sup>r</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Hort & M<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith—Boat returned Last Night from Dover, brought a Pig & 6 Wild Ducks. (Killed). Vegetables

[62] {Thursday Continued 3<sup>d</sup>} The Miss Bays. Went w<sup>h</sup>. Miss James to M<sup>r</sup>. Ford House Black River—M<sup>r</sup>. Whitehurst & Wife & Sons—Dined w<sup>h</sup>. us today—Also Doctor & M<sup>r</sup>s. Helin, & Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith. wrote by Cap<sup>t</sup>. R. Shackelford for Sundries from N. & Webb of Ch<sup>s</sup>. Ton—{Friday 4<sup>th</sup>} It rain'd hard before Breakfast & Lodged Some Water in the Garden, wrote my Overseer & Sent Scipio in boat to Dover, Wind at S<sup>o</sup>. East—Miss Bays Returned home, boat Returned—I rode out & Got Some wood—I Recd<sup>d</sup>. a Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Osburn w<sup>h</sup>. a Barr<sup>l</sup>. Salt—Ben: Huger, Cheesborough, & Sam<sup>l</sup>. Smith Spent the Evening with us—{Saturday 5} I sent Scipio to Overseer & wrote him for a Barr<sup>l</sup> Ruff Rice, Some Clean Rice & Potatoe Allowance. Wind very high at S<sup>o</sup>. West. could not ride out but Sent Billy who brought home a Load of Wood, M<sup>r</sup>. Ward is to Dine w<sup>h</sup>. us Tomorrow it rained today. Cleared before night, & Grew Cold—My head Ached much Last Night I beleave I have frequently a fever

[63] {Sunday 6 Dec<sup>r</sup>.} I wrote N & Webb by G. Mitchell, for Adz & Ax & Shaul & Gown for M<sup>r</sup>s. Horry. tis so Cold this morning that I could not go to the Methodist Meet<sup>s</sup> House, but M<sup>r</sup>s. Horry & the Miss Bays went & heard M<sup>r</sup>. Norton, No Services at Either of the other Churches, W<sup>m</sup> Shackelford Jun<sup>r</sup> Called on us M<sup>r</sup>—Ward Dined w<sup>h</sup>. us. he, Cheesborough & Sam<sup>l</sup>.

Smith Spent the Evening w<sup>h</sup>. us. {Monday 7<sup>th</sup>.} I rode out & Got Wood—Sent Billy in my boat to Dover & Wrote the Overseer Saw him today & his Acc<sup>t</sup>. of Rice &c<sup>a</sup>. are Extremely disagreeable I wish I had never Seen him, he is Either a Nave or a Fool. {Tuesday 8} I rode out & Got wood Billy Returned in boat from Dover bro<sup>t</sup>. a  $\frac{1}{2}$  Bus<sup>l</sup>: Clean Rice Some Potatoes & Greens & a Barrell Ruff Rice Wood & Straw, it Rained a Little towards night. our Dogs Got under the house, & barked so much that I was not able to Sleep all Night—

[64] Wednesday. 9<sup>th</sup>. Decem<sup>r</sup>.} Clear & very Cold, wind at Northwest—I rode out & Got wood—Saw Ben Trapier Exercising the George Town volunteers near the Court House bo<sup>t</sup>. 3yds Plains for William & a p<sup>r</sup> Shoes for Billy Overseer sent me 4 Ducks by Jumper & wrote the Mill would beat as tomorrow—Say Friday—Weather Clear & Cold—{Thursday 10.} Ice Last Night, I rode out & Got wood with four Axes, 3 House Servants & one from the plantation<sup>4</sup> Miss Cogdell & Hannah Shackelford Dined with us today I fell very sick before night.

*(To be continued)*

<sup>4</sup> General Horry was less provident of wood than most planters. On many plantations there was a special negro to whom was assigned the task of cutting wood in the forest and hauling it to the dwelling house and keeping an abundant supply there. General Horry had three plantations within a few miles of his town house. He had mules and wagons and boats, yet he "rode out" (in his carriage?) every day and "got wood," and got it apparently from anybody's land by the roadside.

LETTERS OF JAMES WARLEY MILES TO  
DAVID JAMES McCORD

Contributed by J. H. EASTERBY

The recipient of the two letters printed below is well known to students of South Carolina history.<sup>1</sup> David James McCord (1797–1855) was a prominent lawyer at the state capital who at one time or another sat in the General Assembly, filled the office of president of the Columbia branch of the Bank of the State, edited the *Telescope*, wrote for the *Southern Quarterly Review*, and completed the work of compiling the *South Carolina Statutes at Large* begun by Dr. Thomas Cooper.<sup>2</sup> He had also been a member of the board of trustees of the South Carolina College but does not appear to have had any official connection with that institution in 1851 as Miles's first letter may seem to imply.<sup>3</sup> Even better known is McCord's second wife, Louisa Cheves McCord, to whom Miles refers as the author of the play, *Caius Gracchus*. In fact, this talented daughter of Langdon Cheves has become an almost legendary figure in South Carolina.<sup>4</sup>

Apart from the knowledge that his library is now owned by the College of Charleston, little information is available concerning the writer of these letters.<sup>5</sup> As he indicates in the first letter, James Warley Miles was a cousin of McCord's, being descended from a common ancestor, the Reverend Paul Turquand, first rector of St. Matthew's parish. Born in 1818, he was the eldest of the five sons (the others being William Porcher, Edward Reid, Francis Turquand, and Charles Richardson) of James S. and Sarah Bond (Warley) Miles. He attended South Carolina College but seems to have withdrawn during the session 1836–37 before the completion of his senior year.<sup>6</sup> Having entered the Episcopal ministry, he went as a missionary to the Near East and, after his return to South Carolina, served churches in various parts of the low country. But, in 1850, he

<sup>1</sup> The originals of these letters are in the possession of Mrs. John Bennett, of Charleston. To Mrs. Bennett and Mr. Samuel G. Stoney the writer is indebted for carefully prepared copies and for information concerning the family connection between Miles and McCord. Mr. Stoney also supplied the statement by Frederika Bremer quoted below.

<sup>2</sup> *Dictionary of American Biography*, XI. 604–5.

<sup>3</sup> M. La Borde, *History of the South Carolina College* (Columbia, 1859), pp. 432–3.

<sup>4</sup> Jessie M. Fraser, *Louisa C. McCord*, Bulletin of the University of South Carolina, No. 91 (Columbia, 1920).

<sup>5</sup> Brief sketches of Miles's life are to be found in *Appleton's Cyclopaedia of American Biography* and *Cyclopaedia of Eminent and Representative Men of the Carolinas of the Nineteenth Century*. His connection with the College of Charleston is traced in J. H. Easterby, *A History of the College of Charleston* (Charleston, 1935).

<sup>6</sup> La Borde, *South Carolina College*, p. 454.

accepted the professorship of the history of intellectual philosophy and Greek literature in the College of Charleston where his brother, William Porcher Miles, had been teaching since 1843 as assistant professor of mathematics. Compelled four years later by ill health to procure a leave of absence he traveled in Europe and studied at the German universities. In 1857 he returned to the College as librarian and in 1866 was made professor of ancient languages. He resigned in 1871 and died four years later.

The occasion of the attacks upon his views, to which Miles alludes at such length, appears to have been the publication in 1849 of his work entitled *Philosophic Theology; or Ultimate Grounds of All Religious Belief Based in Reason.*<sup>7</sup> Much more favorable was the following comment by Frederika Bremer:

Charleston, June 2d [1850] \* \* \*

I found upon my writing-table a bouquet of beautiful flowers from Mrs. Holbrook, and a book which both surprised and pleased me. I little expected in the New World, and least of all in a great city, to meet with a profoundly penetrative, liberal spirit, which, like Böklin in Sweden, and H. Martensen in Denmark, places the ground of Christian faith in the highest reason. It is, however, precisely this pure German spirit which I find in the Philosophic Theology, or the first Principles of all Religious Faith founded in Reason, by the young missionary, James W. Miles; a small book, but of great import, written with English clearness and precision, without any German prolixity. This little work comes very near Martensen's "Autonomi;" that excellent treatise which Martensen has yet to develop; and it rejoices me all the more, as it proves that the laws of thought develop themselves in the human race from an inner necessity, irrespective of accidental circumstances. Truths, discoveries, do not emigrate from one country to another. Among all people who have advanced to about the same degree of intellectual cultivation the same phenomena and the same views present themselves. Thus here, a young, solitary, retired, but profoundly thinking man arrived at the same train of thought as our greatest Scandinavian philosophical theologians, and that without knowing them or the fountains from which they have quaffed the new life of thought. One instance in the book, by which the young Miles elucidates the connection of the subjective reason with the objective—that is, of man's with that of God, has struck me for the same cause—namely, how different minds in far distant countries and under different

<sup>7</sup> This volume bears the imprints of John Russell, Charleston, and Geo. P. Putnam, New York. It was reviewed in the *Southern Quarterly Review XVII* (April, 1850), pp. 123-145.

circumstances arrive at the same results of thought, because I myself have frequently made use of the same in conversation, as proof on this subject—and have always regarded it as my own discovery, and have had my own little selfish pleasure in so doing. But how much greater is my pleasure in seeing that it also flashes forth from another seeking soul, and becomes for him a guiding star. The instance I alluded to is the well-known one of Le Verrier, who calculated that a star existed in a certain spot of the universe, and of the star being afterward discovered there.<sup>8</sup>

Charleston, Ap: 24th. [1851]

My Dear Sir;

I would have answered your kind and friendly letter immediately, had I not delayed in order to enquire from Dr. Bachman who the person is to whom you allude; but as I have not been able to catch the *πολυπραγμων*-ian Doctor, I will no longer defer my reply to you, and if Dr. B's Judeo-christian should be still unemployed, I will write to you again, as soon as I have seen the Dr: and inform you what he says about him. *Entre nous*, however, I would not give a fig for the benevolent Dr.'s recommendation of anything—except, perhaps, a partridge or a rat. I don't trust his judgment respecting the *genus homo*—whether expressed about races or individuals; however, as soon as I can see the Dr. I will let you know about the object of your inquiry.<sup>9</sup> The other person, about whom you ask, is—upon authority of the British Consul here—a man of more than ordinary literary acquirements, of the best character, a gentleman, perfectly familiar with French, having been educated partly in his youth in France, a married man, but without children, and he is desirous of connection with some Literary Institution. This is the sum of what is to be learned about him here, and his address is

“Conway Williams Esqr:  
Care of Mr. John Mackenna.  
29 Bleeker Street,  
New York.”

I assure you that I feel most grateful to you, and thank you most heartily, for your kind suggestions about the Professorship; I will, therefore, write to you about it with the completest frankness, and explain to you my feelings in regard to it, with a freedom which I should not use towards another. As to the probability of my obtaining the place, I look

<sup>8</sup> Frederika Bremer, *Homes of the New World*, 2 vols. (New York, 1853), I. 378-9.

<sup>9</sup> John Bachman (1790-1874), naturalist and pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, who at this time was one of Miles's colleagues at the College of Charleston. Miles is probably alluding to Bachman's work, *The Unity of the Human Race*, which appeared in 1850. [Catherine L. Bachman], *John Bachman* (Charleston, 1888).

upon that as chimerical, not because I doubt the ability of the service which friends would bestow on my behalf, but because I bear within my own person, formidable obstacles to the successful advocacy of the most powerful friends. There will be a scramble for the place among the pettifogging Divines, whose ignorance and conceit make them covet a position, from which every real scholar and every justly-thinking man would shrink with reasonable diffidence. I would not, for the world, even seem to be among that rapacious and contemptible herd. The nature of the Professorship will confine the scramble to the Clergy, and probably it will become a tug between sects, (I can not express how utterly my soul loathes and abhors such contests) and while they would all bite, tear, devour, one another without toleration, they are all ready nevertheless to suspend their own hostilities for the nonce, in order to coalesce with rabid, merciless rancor and hostility against the Episcopal denomination. Now besides the unpardonable offence of being an Episcopalian, I add thereto the horrible aggravation of presuming to stand independent of every party and school. The Presbyterians have branded me an infidel, the Baptists as the same, a Romanist reviewer pronounced me little short of an utter Deist, even the Jews have thought me on the brink of infidelity, the Episcopal high-churchman deems me a heretic of horrid dye, while his amiable low-church brother, who thinks *him* in a sad way and blind, yet cordially agrees with him in judging me a dangerous heretic, and moreover, adds his own opinion that I am unconverted. You have no notion of the suspicion with which I am regarded, a suspicion mingled with jealousy and fear, because the Religious-world is unable to conceive a position not identified with some party or school; and therefore they look upon me as an unsafe and dangerous person, not to be trusted with religious teaching, because my position is unintelligible to them, and I do not use the technical jargon of the dead cant of their systems. It is evident, therefore, that if I was brought forward as a candidate, all sides would level their batteries of objection against me; and not one of the least formidable would, doubtless, be, that it would injure the College to have such a teacher in the Clerical Chair. But as to my personal feelings in the matter, it is the last position in the world which I would desire to occupy, because I shrink from the comparison of succeeding a man of such undoubted intellectual ability as Thornwell,<sup>10</sup> and above all from the overwhelming duties and responsibilities of the Chaplainship. I CAN NOT write a sermon every week, I have tried it fully, I can not do it, and it is this inability which compelled

<sup>10</sup> James Henley Thornwell (1812-1862), Presbyterian clergyman, who was then resigning the position of chaplain and professor of sacred literature in the South Carolina College but who was soon to return as president of that institution. E. L. Green, *A History of the University of South Carolina* (Columbia, 1916).

me, at the expense of very severe mental suffering, to leave the Parish on John's Island where I had *every* inducement to remain; and this keeps me now from ever thinking of again taking a parochial charge. But the Chaplain of the College is required to preach every Sunday, in addition to the duties of the Professorship. This to me would be a simple and absolute impossibility. Even here with my moderate, easy, College duties, I could not undertake regularly to prepare sermons in addition. I candidly confess that I should like greatly to be connected with the College in Columbia, for I have literary plans which I can not attempt to commence, much less hope to execute without access to books, not to be found in Charleston, but contained I believe in the S. C. College Library. But I would like to be connected with that Institution in such a capacity as would enable me to devote attention to such plans, and where my official duties would coincide with my literary schemes. I would like, for instance, to be Librarian, or Professor of such branches as are assigned to me at present in the Charleston College; but I have no ambition to be Chaplain, with the burden of a weekly sermon. If the College must have a Chaplain, let him be exclusively Chaplain and sermon-maker, and not mix up with those pursuits the business of the Professor and the Lecture-room. And on the other hand, let the Professor stick to his branch and his researches and his lectures, and don't meddle with Chaplain's duties and sermonizing. If one man is to combine the two offices, however, he ought certainly to be paid double. Five thousand dollars a year might tempt me to covet the place; for eight-hundred I would be librarian, or an occasional lecturer. But you will think that I am giving an invoice of the prices of my services, while I only want to express that my highest ambition as to place, is a situation with access to books, and where my work will lie in the study, not in a position obliging me to exercise authority and discipline. In a position of such a nature, I could afford to laugh at the denunciations of my heterodoxy by men who believe their creed, they know best on what grounds, but certain am I that none of them has reached his convictions through so severe a process intellectually and morally, as I have reached mine; so that what I believe is not from habit, education, sectarian prejudice, impulse, or any of the causes wherfrom men first believe and then seek grounds and arguments for the school or system to which they have committed themselves, but starting from a strictly sceptical standing-point, I have arrived at my conclusions by the most rigid processes of Reason, combined with an amount of research and varied reading which very few bestow ever upon the subject, a reading, too, more extensive (in its polemical department) among sceptical writers, than among those on the other side; and having thus reached conclusions, which, from the very nature of the process by which they have been arrived at, are held with the

whole vigor and earnestness of my intellectual and moral nature, I am called infidel, by men who have no conception of even their own ground, who are obliged to confess that my preaching in the pulpit is orthodox, and that my life and character raise me above the suspicion of hypocrisy, that I am not ignorant or weak-minded; but, nevertheless, that I do not perceive the consequences of my heretical views. And the fact is, actually, when pushed to the last point, that the danger, the heresy, the infidelity, consists in the sole fact (at least, this is the only tangible one which they directly allege) that I do not believe in the *mechanical* inspiration of the Bible, that I do not believe the sacred writers to have been mere automata for the playing of a Divine Ventriloquism, and not believing this monstrous and profane fancy, I have scarcely a right to call myself Christian!<sup>11</sup> And if such is the view of Scripture that the "Professor of Sacred Literature, &c., &c.," is expected to teach, most certainly I could never hold the place. I assure you, moreover, with the confidence of no limited information on the subject, that it would be difficult to name any English or Continental Theologian who is entitled to authority from scholarship and high ability, who does hold that mechanical theory of Inspiration. But pardon me for thus launching you into the fields of Theological Controversy; I have no taste for them, and when I commenced to write, I certainly did not anticipate being carried so far by my wayward pen. I would rather be called infidel in the noble company of Neander and Arnold, than be lauded for the narrow-minded *orthodoxy* (?) of Thornwell and—anybody among the popular religionists of the day whom you choose to add—pharisees, who would brand the Apostles themselves (were they now to appear again proclaiming the simple Gospel of their Master) as apostates, if they did not subscribe to the Westminster Catechism or some newfangled Confession of Faith.

I am working upon an article for the Southern Quarterly Review,<sup>12</sup> the subject of which will, perhaps, have little attraction for you, but it will be a very curious paper. It is "Gleanings from Neglected Poetry," in which I have worked up some recondite and out-of-the-way materials from the older Greek, the Byzantine, Monkish, and later Latin poets. I have half an article on Sanscrit Literature—to be finished one of these days; and I am contemplating the preparation of a volume on the History of Greek Literature, to serve as a college text-book, and as a book of reference for

<sup>11</sup> On this topic Miles had written: "... the true test of its [The Bible's] inspiration can not be found in any mechanical view of the fact, but in its adaptedness to the universal moral necessities of human nature, and in its embodiment of living ideas, which ever awaken and enlarge the spiritual institution of man, and, like Christianity itself, accentuate themselves in the vital consciousness of the Church." *Philosophic Theology*, p. 207.

<sup>12</sup> Edited at this time by William Gilmore Simms to whom Miles refers below.

readers who can not consult elaborate and voluminous works. But without access to a more copious library than I can command, I can not prepare the book, which is really a desideratum, not only for Colleges and students, but for the general English reader. Fabricius is rare, and useful only to critical scholars; Scholl is not commonly met with, and is in eight volumes; Müller is incomplete; and Muir's work, if ever completed, will be too voluminous and elaborate for the general reader. But I suppose before I can get the requisite material, some one will anticipate the design.

I take the liberty of sending a couple of Journals for your son, containing an Eastern Story (Aghop and the sequel Haroun and Hadjadoor) which perhaps may amuse him. I have myself heard just such stories told with great animation and dramatic effect by the Oriental Raconteurs.

Pray accept my apology for inflicting upon you so unconscionable an epistle; and with renewed thanks for your kindness about the Professorship,

I remain, my dear Cousin David,  
M<sup>st</sup> Respectfully & Sincerely, . . .

[P.S.] The "Courier" of this morning, leads me to anticipate a high intellectual treat from Mrs. McCord's "Caius Gracchus": to be compared with Taylor's noble "Philip van Artevelde," is certainly not a compliment to be undervalued; and the few lines quoted by the "Courier," make me feel a lively desire to see a production which must be superior to "Calaynos," or "Anne Boleyn," or "Mohammed,"—our most recent American tragedies.

Charleston, June 16th 1851

My dear Sir;

A variety of pressing occupations have hitherto prevented my replying to your last agreeable letter, which I should otherwise have done immediately to acknowledge my indebtedness to Mrs. McCord, for her obliging kindness in sending me a copy of Caius Gracchus. I shall not only prize it, because the gift of a work from an author of genius is in some sort a compliment to the recipient's powers of discrimination and appreciation, but also because it really forms a valuable addition to the poetical department of my library.<sup>13</sup> It is truly refreshing amidst the thoughtless inanities and flatulent verbiage of our current literature, to meet with such a production, in which vigorous and philosophical thought, just and true sentiment, and enlarged and wholesome views, are presented in nervous diction and attractive garb. I shall by no means content myself with a single perusal, I assure you. If it was not for the generally bad success of

<sup>13</sup> This presentation copy is now in the Miles Collection in the College of Charleston Library.

imitations, a new Rabelaisian romance might be made effectively against the prejudices and humbugs of the age. To attack and show up some of them would require the same extravagant guise of buffoonery, only penetrable by knowing eyes, to shield the author from ruinous proscription and obloquy. If Rabelais had not been so wisely mad they would have burnt him, and now it seems wonderful that after all they were such dunderheads as not to penetrate more completely the drift of his audacity, which yet they half suspected. Rabelais' master in his Pantagruelian art, was that prince of blackguards, buffoons, and wits, Aristophanes. But the former is vastly more profound and philosophical and erudite, while the latter is more sparkling, keen, and poetical. Aristophanes is, in fact, a really good poet; some of his lyrical flights are inimitable for almost every grace and beauty. Rabelais is a great philosopher, an acute critic, and, paradoxical as it may seem to the mole-eyed prudish, a profound moralist. Both of them sometimes sink to coarseness, in which even humor is almost utterly smothered in mere dirty vulgarity; but in Rabelais, at least, (*sometimes* in Aristophanes) it was the necessary mask of madness, to mislead and divert the scent of enemies from his true trail, by blinding the eyes and putting the nose at fault with a cloud of nasty garbage. It is even diverting to think how the orthodox Sorbonne when in full cry upon old Rab's trail, having gotten a glimpse of his real drift, were driving on in full expectation of earthing him in a deadly heresy, they suddenly found, that instead of landing in some fatal proposition which would produce a *procès* and a consignment to the stake, they were themselves incontinently floundering in a mere stench-hole, of which they could make neither head nor tail. *En passant*, it is a curious little piece of criticism as illustrative of Rabelais' wonderful learning and critical discrimination, that he saw the truth as to the difference between ἔγδελέχεια and ἔγρελέχεια, which even Cicero and many of the great scholars until recent times missed. In the Chapter "Comment nous arrivasmes on royaume de la Quinte Essence, nommee Entelechie" (L.V.c.19.) he says—"Aristoteles, prime homme, et paragon de toute philosophie, feut parrain de nostre dame royne: il, tres bien et proprement, la nomma Entelechie. Entelechie est son vrai nom—qui aultrement la nomme erre par tout le ciel." I see, too, in Cary's "Early French Poets," that Ronsard uses the Aristotelian term with correct appreciation of its meaning: in his 68th Sonnet he addresses his mistress (he must have supposed her versed in Aristotle)

O lumiere! enrichie  
D'un feu divin, qui m'ard si vivement,  
Pour me donner l'etre et le movement,  
Etes vous pas ma seul entelechie?

Any how, *entelechy* was such a *crux criticorum* that Crinitius tells an absurd story of Hermolaus Barbarus having consulted the Devil about its meaning, and (served him right) he got no satisfaction, for he couldn't understand the low-mumbling of the Demon, whence Crinitius very wisely concludes that the voice of the demon is thin and feeble. I wonder that he didn't deduce further the obvious conclusion that devils don't understand Greek philosophy, or, at least, not the Peripatetic system. The Rabbis have a notion that it is a matter of question whether the angels understand the Syriac tongue; but for a devil to be ignorant of heathen Greek seems so monstrous, that I suspect Hermolaus transferred his own ignorance, from his laziness in not properly searching through his Aristotle, to the score of his slandered demon. I am sure Ronsard's poor mistress Cassandra must have stood sadly in need of the help of demon, angel, or scholar, to have comprehended his absurd allusions to Greek Classical notions in his sonnets to her; and Bayle reports that Jean Besli (not Bessi, as some editions have it) rasps the Poet therefore in the following style—*Croyez-vous que votre Cassandre, pour qui vous aviez fait ces sonnets, en eût une pensée si avantageuse? Peut-on s'imaginer qu'elle connût ce frère que vous lui donnez? Pensez-vous que le Dolope soudart, le Myrmidon, le Corège insensé, et le Gregeois Pénélope lui fussent des noms fort intelligible; et n'était-ce rien pour une fille que d'avoir à déchiffrer toutes les fables du siège de Troie?*

But forgive this trifling; I have no relaxation from graver pursuits, except in the light by-paths of literature, for I have no literary friends (except Simms) with whom I can unbend without risk of being misunderstood, and so when I write to a literary man, the temptation is strong to take holiday from Metaphysics and Polemics.

With respectful regards to Mrs. McCord & renewed acknowledgments for her noble poem, I remain

Respectfully & Affectionately . . .

## NOTES AND REVIEWS

It was unanimously agreed by the members present at a called meeting of the Society on March 19, 1942, to accept the space in the Fireproof Building tendered by the Charleston County Board of Commissioners. The space originally offered consisted of two rooms on the second floor of the building. Later, however, the offer was extended to include the entire third floor, an additional small room on the second floor, and a vault in the basement. A section of the remainder of the building will continue permanently to be occupied by the County Coroner, but other offices which have temporarily been assigned to the Rationing Board will ultimately, it is believed, be given over to the Society. Thus has been realized the hope, cherished for many years, that the Society might have more ample accommodations in which to preserve the historical records of this state.

It was decided for the present that the space in the Fireproof Building should be used for the storage of books and supplies and as an accessioning room for records which have recently come into the possession of the Society. Gifts of equipment by the County Commissioners, Miss Anne K. Gregorie, and Miss Alice R. Huger Smith made it possible to enter upon this plan at once. Books that have no current use, the stock of the *Magazine*, and uncatalogued manuscripts are gradually being moved to the new quarters. The last, after being sorted, arranged, and thereby greatly reduced in bulk are being returned to the old quarters at the Charleston Library Society where the members may eventually have more effective access to these and to other collections than heretofore. This work, however, will necessarily proceed slowly owing to the limited funds which the Society is able to expend for such purposes.

With space available several times greater than that previously at its disposal the Society voted to solicit more actively additions to its manuscript collections. To accomplish this purpose the Committee on Collections was increased from three to five members, Miss Anna W. Rutledge and Miss Susan L. Allston being elected as the additional members. Acting promptly, this committee sent to all members of the Society a circular calling attention to the greater facilities for the care of records and asking help in furthering this part of its program. Efforts are also being made to bring this matter to the attention of the general public through the

newspapers and by direct communication with persons who are known to be facing the problem of caring for historical materials.

The Society is having a part in the precautions which are being taken to protect the historical and art collections of the country during the national emergency. President Way has been appointed a member of the South Carolina Committee on Conservation of Cultural Resources which was formed in January at the suggestion of the National Resources Planning Board. Other members of the Society serving on this committee are Robert N. S. Whitelaw, representing the Carolina Art Association; E. Milby Burton, the Charleston Museum; R. L. Meriwether, the South Caroliniana Library of the University of South Carolina; J. H. Easterby, the College of Charleston Library; and Anne K. Gregorie, former director of the State Historical Records Survey. Mr. Whitelaw is chairman of the Committee, and Mr. Burton is chairman of the sub-committee for the First Congressional District.

It was felt that the first step toward protecting the collections of the Society must be the orderly arrangement of the large quantities of manuscripts acquired during the past few months. An appeal for assistance in this connection to the State Committee resulted in the assignment to the Society of four workers from the Historical Records Survey for a period of approximately three weeks. Unfortunately the work was not completed at the expiration of this time, but it is being carried forward as rapidly as possible by three students of the College of Charleston employed by the Society. Before entering upon their duties these students were given training in the care of records by Professor Meriwether who has also arranged for the Society to obtain from the South Caroliniana Library the proper boxes for filing manuscripts.

The board of the Charleston Library Society have kindly offered to place in the shelter that has been constructed in the basement of their building those records which are considered to be the most valuable. Before taking advantage of this offer, however, the Society will investigate the possibilities of its newly-acquired vault. It may also be possible to bring the microfilm camera into service in order to avoid the necessity of evacuating the records.

A form to be used in ordering volumes I and II of *The South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine*, certain numbers of which are now available for the first time in many years, goes with this issue to members of the Society. Outstanding among the contents of these volumes are: The Papers of The First Council of Safety, The Mission of Col. John Laurens to Europe in 1781, and genealogies of the Barnwell, Brewton, Izard, Capers, Bull, Blake, Middleton, and Colleton families. It is hoped

that subscriptions will be promptly placed with the Secretary in order that the Society may be reimbursed the amount expended for reprints.

Two numbers of the *Magazine* in its new format having been issued, it is now possible to estimate the effect of the change in terms of the amount of material printed. The new page, it has been found, carries from one-fourth to one-third more material than the one formerly in use. This means that the 132 pages of the two issues is something more than the equivalent of 165 pages of the old format. The 260 pages contemplated for the current volume will exceed the number in the previous volume by only 43 pages, but actually the equivalent of 108 pages will have been added. This increase in the amount of material printed has been accomplished at much less than a proportionate increase in the cost of printing.

The twelfth annual meeting of the South Carolina Historical Association was held in Charleston on April 18, 1942. The following papers were read at the morning and afternoon sessions: "The South Carolina Constitutional Convention of 1865," by J. Harold Wolfe; "William Porcher Miles: Progressive Mayor of Charleston," by Clarence McK. Smith, Jr.; "Salient Attributes of Bodin's Theory of Sovereignty," by C. N. Sisson; and "Sources for South Carolina History in the Nation's Capital," by Maxey R. Dickson. At the annual dinner Fletcher M. Green spoke on "Problems of Research in Southern History." Selections from these papers will be published in the *Proceedings* of the Association.

Recent additions to the collections of the Society include: important notes supplementing the genealogical data compiled by the late Motte Alston Read (gift of Mrs. W. E. Simms, of New Orleans) and a typed transcript of the Naturalization Register (1792-1800) of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of South Carolina (copied and presented by Mrs. Myrta J. Hutson, former Genealogist of the Rebecca Motte Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution).

Some months ago the Vestry of St. James Church, Goose Creek, presented to the Society typed copies of certain records of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts relating to their parish. More recently the College of Charleston Library has secured from the Library of Congress microfilms of what purports to be a complete set of the S. P. G. records relating to all the parishes of South Carolina. These remarkable documents, consisting largely of reports by the parish rectors, have been used to some extent by students of the colonial period, but it is believed that they still contain much unexploited material.

*The Old Exchange and Custom House, Historical Address Delivered at the Quarter-Centennial Conference of the South Caroline Daughters of the American Revolution.* By Rev. William Way, D.D. Revised Edition. (Charleston: The Rebecca Motte Chapter, D.A.R., 1942. 23 pp. 25 cents.) Originally prepared in 1921 and now revised on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the courageous act of the Daughters of the American Revolution in assuming the responsibility of preserving the Old Exchange, this interesting account of one of Charleston's oldest buildings by the president of the South Carolina Historical Society is once more available.

Reprints of articles contributed by two members of the Society to the March (1942) issue of *Antiques* have been distributed by the Carolina Art Association. The first, by Anna Wells Rutledge, is entitled "Cogdell and Mills, Charleston Sculptors;" the second, by Beatrice St. J. Ravenel, is entitled "Here Lyes Buried: Taste and Trade in Charleston Tombstones." Both deal with subjects recently treated in the exhibit, "Charleston Arts and Artisans," at the Gibbes Art Gallery.

The following members have been admitted to the Society since the last issue of the *Magazine*: Albert S. Thomas, Mary A. Sparkman, Jack Krawcheck, and Converse College Library.

*The Early Iron Work of Charleston.* By Alston Deas. Illustrated by Richard J. Bryan. (Columbia: Bostick & Thornley, 1941. 111 pp. \$6.00.)

Colonel Deas has contributed a distinguished addition to the noteworthy list of books and monographs devoted to the visual charms of Charleston. This book is especially welcome, since it is devoted to the wrought iron work of the city, which in so many cases, supplies the inalienable grace notes to many an exemplary building design. The study has been limited to the early iron work but not without suggesting criteria by which all later work may be appraised. Colonel Deas has thus set himself the more difficult portion of the task, yet the study emerges as a graceful and highly readable, authoritative analysis of the subject.

The first section traces skillfully the provenience of stylistic influence in the local *ouvrage en fer* in demonstrating the Rococo and Neo-classic characteristics of 18th and early 19th century examples, or rather, the Georgian and Adam features, since the source and inspiration of the designs are from England. Establishment of exact dates for the early examples is of course difficult because of the fires that ravaged Charleston in 1740, 1778 and later, and also because the requisitioning of metal during the period of the Revolutionary conflict removed many a precious monument that might have served as comparison and check. None-the-less, a sufficient number of wrought iron balconies has survived to give portions

of the city a nostalgic, old-world, late eighteenth century air. Colonel Deas finds that nearly all the best balconies are in the Adam style.

A good example of the care which has been expended in this investigation and the method of tracing stylistic descent is given in Colonel Deas' account of the history of the chancel rail in St. Michael's Church, which, imported from England in 1772, served as an inspiration to the smiths of Charleston throughout a subsequent century and a half. Similar documentation from many sources not only makes for scholarly accuracy but also serves to impart a contemporary flavor to the old pieces under discussion. The somewhat delayed emergence of the Adam style was no doubt due to the interruptions in normal building caused by the Revolutionary War. Many interesting examples are adduced; in some cases curious anachronisms are pointed out in which the more florid, older style is simply fused with the newer classicism.

The range of investigation is broad: not only the nobler examples of the iron worker's art such as balustrades, fences, gates and graceful fanlights are investigated but the humble signs and sign supports, shutter guards and foot scrapers come under his affectionate inspection. Moreover, we find a very readable account of the early smiths, the location of their shops and many an interesting side light, such as the early and continued importation of Swedish iron because of its superior malleability or the custom of laying out the design in chalk on the floor of the shop for reference while working.

The main section of the book brings a series of sixty-four figures done by Mr. Bryan, who indeed achieves "a delicate balance between architectural draughtsmanship and free hand sketching." A most commendable feature of this book is that the explanation to the illustrations is always on the facing page, something anyone who has ever had to deal with the usual type of art manual, in which one distractedly chases from text to figure, will surely appreciate. Expert and beginner will find much of great value in this book; the latter, for example, could find no better way in which to learn the not uncomplicated nomenclature of wrought iron work and sound criteria of judgment besides.

Mr. Albert Simons has contributed a sensitive and eloquent introduction to the work. With its careful index and full bibliography it is a handsome and altogether praiseworthy achievement.

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The following announcement is printed at the request of Allen W. Morger, Lee Archivist, Washington and Lee University:

Robert E. Lee Archives

"The Board of Trustees of Washington and Lee University has recently established the Robert E. Lee Archives as a division of the new Cyrus

Hall McCormick Library. It is proposed to make the school which Washington endowed and to which Lee gave the last five years of his life a national repository of source material concerning the entire life of Robert E. Lee. Washington and Lee already owns four thousand manuscript items concerning Lee's life, and its collection of Lee books, pamphlets, and pictures is large. The most improved methods of cataloging manuscripts have been adopted.

"To aid in this work a national advisory committee of prominent scholars and public men is being formed. Dr. W. G. Bean is Chairman of the local committee, and Dr. Allen W. Moger of the history faculty has been made Lee Archivist. He will attempt to locate and secure other original manuscripts, photostats, and copies of original Lee items. It is particularly hoped that the numerous admirers of General Lee who possess individual letters to or from him will realize that the Robert E. Lee Archives at Lexington, Virginia, is the appropriate place where they will be preserved for posterity."

A recent issue of *The Diocese* (edited by H. D. Bull) contains the following announcement: "Mr. Robert W. Barnwell, Jr., has completed his book 'Loyalism in South Carolina,' which has been accepted by Duke University as his thesis for his Ph.D.; it is hoped that it will be published before long. It constitutes a contribution of great value to the history of South Carolina. . . ."

How far afield one must sometimes go in his search for the materials of South Carolina history is well illustrated by the six letters of Francis Kinloch (1755-1826) contributed by Felix Gilbert, of Princeton University, to the February (1942) issue of *The Journal of Southern History*. These interesting documents, in large part devoted to an account of events in South Carolina, were written between the years 1782 and 1786 to Kinloch's former guardian, Thomas Boone, who had served as governor of South Carolina but who was at this time a resident of London. Copies were sent by Boone to Johannes von Müller, the famous historian who had been Kinloch's tutor while he studied in Switzerland, and these copies are now preserved among Müller's papers in the Stadtbibliothek of Schaffhausen. Of even greater interest to those who are familiar with Kinloch's delightful volume of *Letters from Geneva and France* (Boston, 1819) is the fact that the collection also contains 120 letters from Kinloch to Müller covering the years from 1776 to 1809. Members of the Society doubtless will be willing to aid Mr. Gilbert in his efforts to determine whether Francis Kinloch's papers are to be found and whether they may be used in preparing for publication the remaining letters which he has obtained from Switzerland.



